

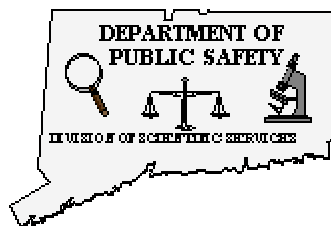
# Connecticut

## Department of Public Safety



## 2002 Annual Report

Arthur L. Spada, Commissioner



**COVER PHOTOGRAPHS**

*The American Flag proudly waves over the state capitol.*

*Each of the logos depict the four primary Divisions within the Department of Public Safety:*

*State Police  
Scientific Services  
Fire, Emergency & Building Services  
&  
Homeland Security*

*The Department of Public Safety Research & Planning Unit assembled this report.  
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## *We Remember...*

*This page and this report are dedicated to the memory of all Connecticut state troopers and auxiliary state troopers, whose lives were taken while in the service of the State.*



*Pearle E. Roberts*  
*November 25, 1922*

*Bartholomew E. Skelly*  
*November 14, 1925*

*Irving H. Nelson*  
*April 6, 1928*

*Lloyd J. Eukers*  
*July 21, 1928*

*Stanley H. Heilberg*  
*June 1, 1929*

*Leonard H. Watson*  
*October 22, 1932*

*Charles F. Hill*  
*November 6, 1941*

*Edward P. Jesmonth*  
*July 20, 1943*

*Kenneth W. Stevens*  
*June 6, 1944*

*Frank A. Starkel*  
*July 19, 1948*

*Ernest J. Morse*  
*February 13, 1953*

*James W. Lambert*  
*October 29, 1960*

*Joseph M. Stoba Jr.*  
*August 6, 1962*

*Carl P. Moller*  
*February 13, 1976*

*Thomas E. Carney*  
*December 6, 1982*

*James Savage*  
*January 22, 1986*

*Jorge Agosto*  
*November 22, 1989*

*Russell Bagshaw*  
*June 5, 1991*

*Edward Truelove*  
*November 13, 1992*

*Phillip A. Mingione*  
*May 25, 1994*



August 5, 2002

Dear Friends,

It gives me great pleasure to extend my greetings and best wishes to the men and women of the Connecticut State Police, and to again extend my appreciation on behalf of the members of our state for the services that you provide. Our citizens enjoy a level of law enforcement professionalism that is second to none, and it is your efforts on a day to day basis that makes this possible.

In May of this year our state marked the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Connecticut State Police, the oldest state police agency in our nation. These festivities were attended by past and present department members, elected officials, community leaders, and law enforcement representatives from states and cities throughout the country. This tribute to our department was well deserved and a recognition of the contributions made to our state. In the past one hundred years we have seen our state police department evolve from a five member agency, paid \$3.00 per day, to a nationally recognized law enforcement agency whose twelve hundred men and women provide primary law enforcement services to eighty one of the state's towns and cities, proudly serving 3.4 million citizens by patrolling 5,008 square miles, including 600 miles of interstate highways and 7,000 miles of secondary roads throughout Connecticut.

I thank each of you for your efforts in making the Connecticut State Police Department not just the first, but more importantly, the finest state police organization in the nation. With our ongoing efforts we will continue to grow and serve as leaders in the law enforcement community, for generations to come.

Sincerely your,

*John G. Rowland*  
JOHN G. ROWLAND  
Governor





**Arthur L. Spada**  
**Commissioner of Public Safety**

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT



## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

*Arthur L. Spada*  
*Commissioner*

Since June 2000 I have had the distinct honor and privilege of serving as the Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Public Safety. The past year has seen our department continue to grow in both quantity and quality of services which we provide to the public, despite fiscal constraints imposed upon all branches of state government.

With the support of our governor and legislators, the Division of State Police, Fire, Emergency and Building Services, and Scientific Services, continue to excel in their mission to promote and ensure the public safety within the State of Connecticut. Additionally, the Division of Homeland Security, recently renamed, and now fully operational, has joined the Department of Public Safety as our fourth division and is tasked with addressing statewide infrastructure security, issues of domestic terrorism, executive protection and the state's citizens corps.

This year's extraordinary achievements were accomplished despite the loss of experienced personnel. State fiscal restraints required the lay-off of sixty department employees, and permitted the early retirement of one hundred and thirty five department members. Additionally, one hundred and fifty-seven pre-approved positions are frozen due to fiscal constraints. It is clear that the department will not falter in its primary mission of public safety. I am confident that the men and women of our agency will rise to whatever confronts us.

May 2003 marked the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our department, the oldest and finest state police agency in the nation. The celebration of this milestone proved a wonderful opportunity to reunite with past and present members of the department, other members of the law enforcement community, family and friends, elected officials, members of the judiciary, and leaders from throughout our state. The department was also honored to receive awards, commendations and recognition of this accomplishment from the Maine State Police, the Massachusetts State Police, the Rhode Island State Police, the Vermont State Police, the New Hampshire State Police, the Pennsylvania State Police, the New Jersey State Police, the Los Angeles Police Department, and most notably, from President George W. Bush.

It is indeed an exciting and fortunate time to serve as your Commissioner. I thank you for your dedication to duty and look forward to your continued commitment to public service.

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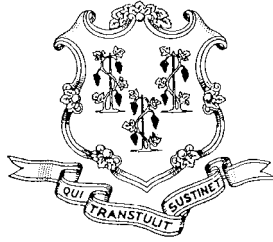


**Colonel Timothy F. Barry**  
**Deputy Commissioner -- Commanding Officer the Division of State Police**

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## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF STATE POLICE

*Colonel Timothy F. Barry  
Commanding Officer*

As this edition of the Annual Report goes to press, we find ourselves celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. As the oldest State Police law enforcement agency in the nation, the past 100 years have seen this Agency strive for excellence in all aspects of law enforcement. The Connecticut State Police has always and will always stand for pride, integrity, loyalty and service.

The challenges that this Agency faced during its inception were many and were just as complex as they are today. When Governor Abriam Chamberlain signed the legislative act authorizing the creation of the Connecticut State Police on May 29, 1903, I am sure neither he nor Superintendent Thomas F. Egan could have envisioned the evolution of the Department. Leaders of the Connecticut State Police 100 years ago could not have forecasted the issues facing the Department today. In actuality, the foundation they laid has created one of the finest law enforcement agencies in the country.

The past 100 years have brought the Department from having five (5) troopers, whose primary duties were to enforce laws pertaining to liquor and gaming violations, to an authorized strength of 1,248 troopers, third largest in New England. Technological advances have occurred and are continuing. We have a state-of-the art communications system that provides the infrastructure for an "information highway" capable of transmitting voice, data, images or other critical law enforcement information. The most recent acquisition to the Connecticut State Police is our new Bell 407 helicopter. This aircraft joins the fixed wing fleet that presently serves our state. The helicopter, "Trooper One" is a tremendous asset and continuously demonstrates its value to law enforcement throughout the state.

This century has already presented law enforcement with new challenges. No one could have anticipated the horrors of September 11, 2001, or the terrorists threats taking place today both here in the United States and around the world. As has been the foundation of the Connecticut State Police for the last 100 years, we were prepared; probably better prepared than most states, yet never imaging the magnitude of what we were prepared for. Our response to the security needs of Connecticut and its citizens were handled with great professionalism and resolve for which we are known.

As we reflect where the Department and the State have been, equally we need to envision where we are going in the future. As the Connecticut State Police embarks on our second century, one philosophy will remain unsullied; the traditions, integrity, dedication, and competency will remain within the highest standards of the law enforcement profession.

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## ***Framework for the Future***

By

Colonel Timothy F. Barry

The Division of State Police within the Connecticut Department of Public Safety is on the verge of new era. Our mission must be to fulfill the role as the State's lead coordinating law enforcement organization with commitment to honor, respect, and integrity. The Connecticut State Police will effectively direct personnel and resources in partnership with private and public entities to achieve public safety by improving the quality of life for the citizens of Connecticut.

By way of background, it is necessary to offer a brief analysis of where we are today before proceeding to where we want to go. Connecticut's law enforcement community has evolved into probably the most efficient system in the nation. This has occurred partly because of demographic and political considerations, but also because of forward thinking legislative programs, professional development at state and municipal levels, and a true sense of cooperation between entities.

The Connecticut State Police is the largest police department in Connecticut and is the third largest in New England; indeed it is one of the largest in the United States. It is a full service police agency with statutory responsibility for providing public safety needs to our citizens in a number of areas. The Division of State Police is a major part of the Department of Public Safety. This division has significant responsibilities in order to protect the citizens of Connecticut. In addition to the traditional concepts of patrolling rural areas and interstate highways, we are involved in task force operations that address typical police activities such as narcotics, gangs, organized crime, missing children, auto theft and fugitive apprehensions. We are also responsible for a number of diverse activities such as regulating bondsmen, private investigators, security companies and guard services. We issue and revoke pistol permits, we perform background investigations for other state agencies involved in activities such as childcare, and recent legislation gave us the responsibility for registering and tracking sex offenders. We provide support services to other law enforcement agencies in areas such as bomb disposal, diving, arson investigations, major crime scene processing, canine tracks, accident reconstruction, commercial vehicle weighing, tactical and hostage situations, aircraft needs and supplemental police presence for all occasions.

Members of the Department of Public Safety are involved in wide ranging tasks such as elevator inspections, building code inspections, carnival inspections, fire marshal training, forensic laboratory testing and a host of other activities not normally associated with policing. This list is by no means all-inclusive; it is merely a sampling of the complexity tasks undertaken by our agency.

The vision to increase our minimum staffing allows the Department of Public Safety to enter into partnerships with other agencies to provide improved services to the citizens of Connecticut. Already partnerships have been formed with state and municipal school systems, Department of Children and Families, Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Parole, Department of Mental Retardation, Department of Liquor Control, Department of Corrections, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. These partnerships allow for the utilization of each Agency's resources for common purpose of increased service to the citizens of Connecticut.

One of the initiatives undertaken by the Department of Public Safety is community policing. The Connecticut State Police is a pioneer agency in the field of community policing. Our Resident State Trooper Program is a model for community policing that has been in existence for decades. Many of our initiatives are based in community policing, such as the "Statewide Cooperative Crime Control Task Force" designed to deal with street gangs and the neighborhoods in which they operate. Another is the Liquor Control initiative that targets the procurement of alcohol by underage citizens. The Department of Public Safety is involved with many other programs and services that share the community oriented policing philosophy. The interactions between the Connecticut State Police and the community members that we serve have been extremely rewarding and successful.

The Connecticut State Police has been in existence since 1903. Every time the governor or the legislature has asked us to handle a difficult situation, we have done so. When citizens ask for help, we respond. Every time our partners in criminal justice have asked for assistance, we have been there.

With that said, we live in an era of continuous accelerating change fueled by an explosion of information. The men and women of the Connecticut State Police and the citizens of Connecticut have seen a number of improvements in response to this change. Technological advances have occurred and are continuing. We have a new state-of-the-art communication system that will provide the infrastructure for an "information highway" capable of transmitting voice messages, images, data or other critical law enforcement information. We are about to embark upon a new records management system. This system will integrate all police reporting and record keeping functions so that a trooper will complete required reports quicker, have less paperwork, with the end result being additional troopers available for calls of service.

These are only two examples of technological advances we're using to improve the quality of information and services we provide to the citizens of Connecticut. Other advances are forthcoming and should greatly aid our profession we share and our services to the public.

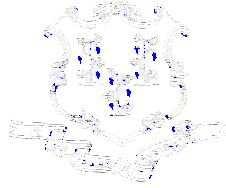
The most recent acquisition to the Connecticut State Police is our new Bell 407 helicopter. The helicopter joins the fixed wing aircraft that presently serve the state. The Connecticut State Police will now have the ability to respond quickly, with specialists, to anywhere in the state. The helicopter, "Trooper One", is a tremendous asset to our agency and is available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

The Connecticut State Police is committed to creating a diverse organizational culture capable of responding to an ever-changing environment. This culture will serve to enhance the quality of life for all Connecticut citizens by delivering the highest quality of leadership and police services. Leadership and services will focus on areas related to providing safer highways, reducing violent crime, problem solving, community policing and quality training. All of the above will be performed with the integrity, competence and within the highest standards of the law enforcement profession.



**Vincent J. DeRosa**  
**Deputy Commissioner, Division of Homeland Security**

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT



## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY

*VINCENT J. DEROSA*  
*Deputy Commissioner*

*MAJOR JOHN J. BUTURLA*  
*Executive Officer*

The Division of Homeland Security has been a key component in the preparation of our State's security. As the Homeland Security Advisor for the State, one of my responsibilities is to keep the Governor informed of all matters pertaining to Homeland Security issues. We have been working together with State, Federal and local agencies to develop plans and coordinate efforts that are essential for our state preparedness to manage any incident that affects the citizens of Connecticut.

We have opened communications with local police chiefs, fire chiefs and emergency management personnel. Jointly we are working on legislation, procurement of equipment, training and the sharing of information, that not only pertains to terrorism but, other issues of mutual interest. Without a joint effort between every agency that has a stake in Homeland Security, we would not have been able to accomplish many of our goals.

The Division of Homeland Security is made up of the Office of Statewide Security, Domestic Terrorism Section, Executive Protection Section, Rentschler Field Stadium Security Section and Citizen Corps. Within these components, members of our Division are developing and conducting terrorism training to local and state law enforcement; vulnerability assessments of our critical infrastructure including our State's major ports; mapping our critical infrastructure for the State; developing an Advisory System to communicate with our state and local partners; gathering and dissemination of intelligence information; developing an Urban Search and Rescue Task Force; and developing a traffic management plan.

We have accomplished many tasks in preparing our State. However, we need to continue to work together as one to assure that our citizens are kept safe.

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**Wayne Maheu**  
**Director, Division of Fire, Emergency & Building Services**



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



### DIVISION OF FIRE, EMERGENCY & BUILDING SERVICES

*Wayne H. Maheu*  
*Director*

The protection of lives and property is a primary consideration for department members who are charged with the responsibility for the safety of the people who live, work or travel within this state. The men and women of the Division of Fire, Emergency And Building Services, whose knowledge and skills are essential to the fulfillment of this charge, should be proud of the excellent record they have achieved.

The division is composed of four sections: the Offices of State Fire Marshal, State Building Inspector, Education and Data Management, and Statewide Emergency Telecommunications. The Office of State Fire Marshal, established in 1901, was the first state agency tasked with public safety responsibilities in Connecticut. Each of the four offices is dedicated to a specific aspect of public safety, integral to the performance of the division. Each office includes trained professionals whose functions span many areas of expertise such as investigative and enforcement authority over fire and building codes as well as other complex technical specialties too numerous to mention.

Division personnel are constantly trained to be knowledgeable in such areas as plan review and engineering, hazardous materials, explosives, amusement rides, and elevator and boiler safety and inspection. They are responsible for regulation of crane operation, demolition, telecommunications engineering and systems design, and to train and certify municipal fire and building officials. Among the services provided are the collection and maintenance of a statewide fire incident data base; the inspection of amusement rides, elevators, and boilers; and training a network of capable dispatchers to respond to 9-1-1 calls for assistance during emergencies.

The Division of Fire, Emergency and Building Services interacts closely with other state agencies with public safety concerns, including the Departments of Public Works, Health, Education, Environmental Protection and Consumer Protection and has assumed the task of making preventive safety information available to the public. The division is proud of its history of accomplishment. We will continue to seek new and improved ways to fulfill the primary mission for this department: the protection of lives and property throughout Connecticut.

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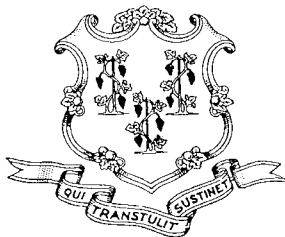


**Major Timothy M. Palmbach, Commanding Officer  
Division of Scientific Services**



**Dr. Henry C. Lee**  
***Chief Emeritus***  
**Forensic Science Laboratory**

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT



### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF SCIENTIFIC SERVICES

***Major Timothy M. Palmbach***  
***Commanding Officer***

***Dr. Henry C. Lee***  
***Chief Emeritus***

In 1999, the Division of Scientific Services was established to unite Department of Public Safety science laboratories. As a result, local, state and federal criminal justice agencies can obtain all forensic testing through the services offered by a world-renowned scientific facility. The division is made up of the Forensic Science Laboratory, Controlled Substances and Toxicology Laboratory and the Computer Crimes and Electronic Evidence Unit.

The Division of Scientific Services provides services in the following areas: examines physical evidence submitted by criminal case investigators; assists state and local law enforcement agencies with criminal investigations and crime scene processing; provides forensic and technical training and education for law enforcement agencies and the community; and conducts scientific and technical research.

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*The traditions and splendid reputation of the Connecticut State Police are incorporated in this Code of Honor, to which all members of the department subscribe by word and deed:*

## **CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE TROOPER'S**

### **CODE OF HONOR**

**"I AM A CONNECTICUT STATE TROOPER —  
A SOLDIER OF THE LAW.**

**TO ME IS ENTRUSTED THE HONOR OF THE DEPARTMENT.**

**I WILL SERVE THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT HONESTLY AND  
FAITHFULLY, AND, IF NEED BE, LAY DOWN MY LIFE AS OTHERS  
HAVE DONE RATHER THAN SWERVE FROM THE PATH OF DUTY.**

**I WILL BE LOYAL TO MY SUPERIORS, OBEY THE LAW AND  
ENFORCE THE LAW WITHOUT DISCRIMINATION AS TO CLASS,  
COLOR, CREED OR CONDITION, AND WITHOUT FEAR OR FAVOR.**

**I WILL HELP THOSE IN DANGER OR DISTRESS, AND AT ALL  
TIMES CONDUCT MYSELF SO AS TO  
UPHOLD THE HONOR OF THE DEPARTMENT."**



# History of the Connecticut State Police

Proudly Serving Connecticut Since 1903

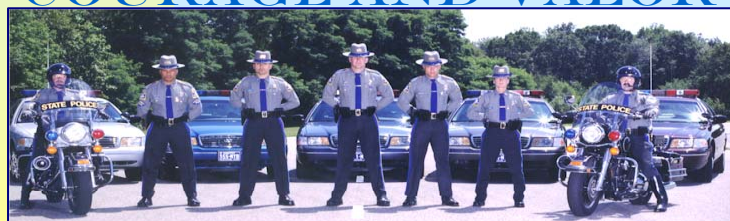
The Connecticut State Police was established by the Connecticut General Assembly in 1903, making our Agency the oldest State Police Department in the United States. The Connecticut State Police provides police services to local, state and federal agencies across Connecticut. The 1,200 men and women of the Connecticut State Police are responsible for the law enforcement services across the state. The Connecticut State Police is the primary law enforcement provider in 82 of 169 towns within the State of Connecticut. The state is divided into three patrol areas: Eastern, Central and Western Districts, maintaining 12 barracks, which includes policing Bradley International Airport. The Connecticut State Police is a nationally accredited law enforcement agency well known for its cutting edge programs including Canine, Community Policing, Traffic Enforcement, Fire Investigations, Forensic Technology and Computer Crimes. Additional investigative services provided by the Connecticut State Police are listed below:

- Auto Theft Unit
- Aviation Unit
- Background Investigations Unit
- Bomb Squad/Hazardous Device Unit
- Business Strategy Unit
- Casino Unit
- Community Policing
- Computer Crime Unit
- Crimes and Traffic Analysis
- Criminal Intelligence
- Criminal Investigations
- DARE Program
- Electronics Surveillance Unit
- Extradition Unit
- Field Operations
- Fingerprint Identifications
- Fire Investigation and Enforcement
- Firearms Licensing and Permits
- Firearms Task Force
- Firearms Training Unit
- Fleet Administration
- Forensic Laboratory
- Fugitive Task Force
- Gang Unit
- Governmental Affairs
- Governor's Security
- Major Crimes Unit
- Marine Unit
- Motorcycle Unit
- Narcotics Investigation
- Polygraph Unit
- Protective Services/Homeland Security
- Public Information
- Railroad Accident Investigation
- Research and Planning
- Scientific Services
- Selections Unit
- Sex Offenders Unit
- Tactical Team
- Traffic Unit
- Training Academy
- Underwater Search and Rescue
- Video Productions

## Connecticut State Police

1903 – 2002

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COURAGE AND VALOR**



## **A Brief Department Overview**

The beginnings of this department date back to 1901, when Connecticut legislators authorized the governor to name a state fire marshal to investigate fires of suspicious origin. John A. Rusling of Bridgeport was named to the post as the first state public safety officer.

In 1903, the General Assembly enacted House Bill 247. This created the first state police department in the country. The department consisted of five men at a salary of \$3 a day, organized to suppress commercialized vice, including liquor violations, gambling, and prostitution. Expenses submitted for the first year was \$138, mostly for buttons and handcuffs, as uniforms were not issued until 1922.

In 1921 the department was transferred from the Judicial Branch to the Executive Branch of government and, by 1927, a full time salaried commissioner was appointed. Department responsibilities were expanded to include the licensing and regulation of motion picture houses and amusement parks and registering the retail sale and possession of firearms.

The increasing use of automobiles caused the agency to take on more criminal and motor vehicle enforcement duties. In 1934 the department established the canine program with two dogs trained by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

James Parrot became the department's first resident state trooper for the hamlet of Pine Meadow. In 1948, a tie clasp was adopted that had the words "state police" imprinted on it so motorists only had to look up at the trooper's chest for identification purposes whenever they were pulled over.

In 1961, Albert Washington became the state's first black state trooper; and in 1968 Louise Smith became the first black state policewoman. The Forensic Lab was created in 1975 and under the 1977 Reorganization Act, the Department of Public Safety was created with the Division of State Police as its primary operational component.

In 1986, "Mattie," a Labrador retriever becomes the first fire accelerant detection dog to be used in the United States.

The legislature merged the expertise of the state police with the varied disciplines of the State Fire Marshal and State Building Inspector. By 1992, the department had grown to two full divisions, the Division of State Police and the Division of Fire, Emergency & Building Services. Both divisions guard the safety and security of all people who live and work in this state. In 1999, the Division of Scientific Services was created to merge the Forensic Science Laboratory with the state Toxicology Laboratory.

Today, the department is a nationally accredited law enforcement agency employing more than 1,700 full time employees. The department incorporates state-of-the-art equipment and capabilities, and is internationally renowned for its programs such as canines, arson investigation, explosives detection and has a world-class forensic science laboratory. Department personnel travel extensively to train and to learn from other law enforcement agencies across the country and worldwide. The department has recently acquired helicopter capabilities and has expanded its community—cooperative-policing programs to address quality of life issues for all citizens who live in towns primarily served by the department.

The identifying symbol used by the state police, the shoulder patch, has evolved to reflect its heritage. This patch was adopted in 1983. It incorporates the State Seal and coat of arms, three fruit bearing grape vines, the flags of the United States and State of Connecticut, and State Motto, which translated means, "He who transplants, still sustains."





## ***Reflecting on the past...***

*Lt. Albert Field “demonstrates” the Thompson submachine gun during an early “Kodak Moment” in 1933.*



*Two troopers inspect the jack of a vintage 1951-1952 patrol vehicle at an observation tower on the Merritt Parkway.*



*Vehicles line up in the Troop C garage in Stafford Springs, 1938*



*In 1942 Commissioner Hickey appointed Evelyn Briggs and Catherine Haggerty as the first state policewomen.*



*Trooper Otto Hafersat on an Indian motorcycle in 1941.*



*Troop B troopers line up in front of the barracks in 1935.*



*Motorcycle troopers lead a parade on Rte 49 in the southeastern part of the state probably in the 1930s.*



***... and progressing into the future,***

*Troopers conduct motor vehicle enforcement in marked and unmarked vehicles to proactively enhance public safety on the state's highways and secondary roads*





Trooper 1



Community



Policing



*for a stronger community...*





***...and a safer CONNECTICUT !!!***

## Office of the Commissioner



**Arthur L. Spada**  
**Commissioner of Public Safety**



**The Office of the Commissioner is located at 1111 Country Club Road in Middletown.**

The Department of Public Safety is comprised of more than 1,700 sworn and civilian members. Currently, the department is organized into four divisions, the Division of State Police, the Division of Fire, Emergency and Building Services, the Division of Homeland Security, and the Division of Scientific Services. All four divisions fall under the direct responsibility of the Commissioner of Public Safety.

One of the roles of the Commissioner is to provide department leadership that effectively protects and serves the residents of this state as well as travelers and visitors who use our state highways. Commissioner Spada has directed the department since June of 2000 and continues to accomplish short-term and long-term agency goals.

Reporting directly to Commissioner Spada, and responsible for the execution of his directives are two deputy commissioners, one director, two lieutenant colonels, and a chief of staff.



**Major Gregory Senick  
Chief of Staff**

The Commissioner's Chief of Staff assists the commissioner in the management of the Department of Public Safety, and works to ensure the quality of all department operations. Working directly with the Chief of Staff in furthering this mission are commissioner's staff members and aides, including legal affairs attorneys and staff, the labor relations attorneys and staff, legislative liaison officers, public information officers, and the Equal Employment Compliance Unit.

Under the direction of Commissioner Spada, the department has worked during the past year to mitigate the impact of department lay-offs and early retirements, overseen agency fiscal considerations, provided direction in matters of civil litigation and labor relations, and liaised with the commanders of the Office of Field Operations and the Office of Administrative Services, as well as executive level members of the Division of Fire, Emergency and Building Services, Scientific Services and Homeland Security, to ensure the unified and coordinated provision of agency services.

In the past year the Commissioner's Office has undertaken and accomplished several significant agency developments. Our department has been tasked with the lead in the provision of law enforcement services for Rentschler Field, a one-of-a-kind facility in the city of East Hartford that will open later this summer. We have equipped and trained our first responders with personal protective equipment, to allow them to safely address certain weapons of mass destruction. We have equipped virtually all of our patrol vehicles with dash mounted cameras and mobile data terminals, to allow for more efficient provision of police services. We have supported beneficial legislation, including provisions pertaining to the collection of DNA samples from convicted felons, the appointment of investigative grand juries, and increased penalties for white-collar crime offenders. Our Sex Offender Registry program and state statute have been vindicated by the United States Supreme Court, and information as to persons who would prey upon our citizenry is again publicly available. We have obtained a state of the art driving simulator for the benefit of not only state police personnel, but also for DWI education, use by local police departments, and use by the public, through our citizens' police academies



*This metal sign was ordered to be placed on the rear of state police cruisers by Commissioner Spada to increase the visibility of managers and troopers while on duty or when commuting to and from work assignments.*



**Governmental Affairs**  
**Captain Robert Tolomeo, Commanding Officer**

Governmental Affairs serves as the department liaison to members of the General Assembly and other state departments. The unit meets with representatives, senators, and other legislative personnel, state Democratic and Republican committee members, lobbyists and other capitol based teams. The unit receives and answers many questions and complaints or diverts them to appropriate contacts within the department.

The unit supplies statistical information and supports issues and programs of interest to the department. The unit introduces and lobbies for and against bills that are either beneficial or detrimental to the department. The unit assists in the process of nominating candidates for the position of Commissioner of Public Safety before the Nominating Committee and assists in presenting bond issues and budget packages.

This unit attends task force meetings, meetings with other department commissioners, liaison officers, representatives, and senators to discuss current issues and constituency problems, concerns, and complaints.



## **Legal Affairs**



### **Attorney Dawn Hellier, Legal Advisor**

The Legal Affairs Unit provides legal advice and guidance to the commissioner and to other departmental employees on a wide variety of agency related legal matters. In serving the legal needs of the agency, this unit conducts legal research; drafts, negotiates and reviews contracts and other agreements; drafts and reviews legislative proposals; manages all aspects of the regulation adoption/revision process for over thirty-five different areas of regulatory authority within the agency; handles real estate closings and bankruptcy matters; assists and advises on subpoenas and other legal process; responds to all Freedom of Information Act requests directed to the agency; and serves as agency advocate for administrative hearings within the jurisdiction of the Board of Firearms Permit Examiners, the Special Licensing and Firearms Unit, the Office of the State Fire Marshal, and the Office of the State Building Inspector. Unit staff represents the agency on or serves in an advisory capacity to various committees, commissions and councils.

In addition, the Legal Affairs Unit functions as the primary liaison with the Office of the Attorney General and with outside law firms representing the agency and its employees on pending civil cases and provides litigation assistance and support as required.

## **Labor Relations**



### **Sgt. Alaric Fox, Commanding Officer**

The Labor Relations Unit represents the department in all phases of collective bargaining, conducts all employee grievance hearings at initial levels, and represents the department in grievance proceedings at advanced levels. Additionally, the unit also provides advise and assistance to department members in a wide array of issues pertaining to internal affairs investigations, disciplinary considerations, performance evaluations, pre-disciplinary hearings, labor law, grievance resolution, matters of contractual interpretation, and personnel related topics.

## **Bureau of Management Support**



**Michael Wambolt**  
**Chief Fiscal Administrative Officer**

This bureau contains approximately 52 full-time, permanent civilian employees who work in one of the following units: Fiscal Services, including Grants and Contracts; Human Resources; Purchasing; and the department Safety/OSHA Office.

Bureau duties include the following:

- Develop, implement and monitor agency budget requests and perform budget oversight functions.
- Prepare biennial resident state trooper contracts or amended contracts for 58 resident trooper towns.
- Administer and implement Personal Service Agreements for contractual services; act as department liaison with the Governor's Office, DAS, OPM and the Attorney General's Office.
- Administer and process the grants-in-aid to municipalities program for police and all fire service-related grants to 169 towns and cities.
- Distribute gasoline credit cards to employees and monitor that program.
- Act as liaison with the property management companies servicing various department installations and monitor related spending.

## Human Resources



**Ronald Savitski, Personnel Administrator**

Human Resources provides a uniform and equitable system of personnel administration in accordance with all applicable Connecticut General Statutes, appropriate federal laws and regulations, and the seven existing labor union contract agreements. This staff provides services to more than 80 units comprising more than 1,800 approved positions. Human Resources is divided into three areas of functional responsibility.

**General Administration** is responsible for the oversight and coordination of the processing of personnel actions related to an individual's employment including appointments, promotions, reclassifications, decentralized administrative functions, military leaves, transfers, separations, disciplines, salary changes, contract changes relating to hours of work, seniority definitions, and classification evaluations. FY activities included 27 hires, 237 separations, 17 promotions or reclassifications, and 255 leaves.

**Employee Benefits** administers Worker's Compensation benefits to include: evaluating claims, insuring payment of medical bills, coordination of work site ergonomic evaluations, purchase of special equipment, coordination with third-party provider, providing information to Worker's Compensation Commission; assisting the Attorney General's Office with formal hearings and providing in-service training to new sergeants. For calendar year 2000, the Unit processed 345 worker's compensation claims and responded to 435 requests from the third party provider. The unit also administers health and dental insurance programs to include processing changes, resolving problems; facilitating annual open enrollment and COBRA applications. The unit processed 390 changes during the open enrollment period; resolved 452 insurance problems; processed 142 change of address requests affecting health and dental insurance; provided 135 COBRA applications to affected employees or their eligible dependents.

The unit processes retirements and provides closure of benefits information to terminating employees to include counseling employees who were notified of changes due to potential privatization. For the calendar year, Human Resources processed 120 retirements.

**The Payroll Unit** is responsible for every facet of this agency's salary and benefit payments for all employees as well as oversight and administration of time and attendance. The unit also assists in the coordination of benefit issues such as health insurance, group life insurance, deferred compensation, workers compensation, etc.

## **Fiscal Services**

Fiscal Services maintains the Department of Public Safety accounting records. In addition, the section is responsible for the preparation and administration the current services budget, as well as the administration of federal grants and the Casino Unit budget.

The Fiscal Services Unit is comprised of the following:

Supervised by a Fiscal Administrative Supervisor and includes Telecommunications Accounting and Casino Administration.

### *Accounting / Accounts Receivable:*

Includes Billing, Cash Accounting & Travel.

### *Accounts Payable:*

Five employees handle all Accounts Payable for the Department of Public Safety.

### *Federal Grants & Contracts:*

Supervised by a Fiscal Administrative Supervisor, this Unit includes all Federal Grants, Contracts and other Grants, and HIDTA – High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area grants.

The current services budget for FY 2000 was approximately \$114,000,000. Federal grant outlays totaled nearly \$17,000,000. In addition, the Casino Unit expenditures were over \$4,900,000. Cash receipts during the year totaled approximately \$40,000,000. Revenues include fees for licenses and permits, services of Resident State Troopers, federal grants and other police services, e.g., overtime at highway sites, etc. To produce the revenue, the agency had \$23,109,098 in accounts receivable billings based on 2,928 invoices. In Fiscal Year 2000, 487 reimbursements were issued to department employees, with the majority of these documents for travel.

In Fiscal Year 2000, 2,578 payment batches were issued, which comprised 9,848 invoices. Payments include vehicle and equipment purchases, contractual services and maintenance of property. In addition, 357 purchase amendments, 158,800 commitment adjustments and 642 transfer invoices were processed, Fiscal was also responsible for the audit of over 4,000 telephone billings and approximately 1,420 calling cards.

## **Safety Officer**



**Linda Gervais, Department Safety Officer**

The Department Safety Officer (DSO) provides information, training and guidance in response to federal and state OSHA mandates. Annual safety inspections of buildings and property are conducted, ensuring compliance with OSHA, NFPA, JCAHA and other safety, health and sanitary codes and environmental regulations. This includes indoor air quality testing, a major concern for self-contained buildings. Calibration and use of test equipment has proved invaluable during investigation of possible problematic areas.

At various times during the year, the DSO issues Safety Bulletins. These bulletins contain informational material regarding topics of interest such as: personal protective equipment, Lyme disease, West Nile virus, and hearing conservation.

The DSO promotes the health and well being of all employees by serving as an information resource for those who wish to develop healthier lives.

## **Purchasing**



**Dawn Uraco, Purchasing Officer**

Purchasing procures all goods and services for the Department of Public Safety in compliance with DAS/Procurement Services and the Comptroller Purchasing Regulations. Agency expenditures processed through Purchasing totaled more than \$12 million with additional federal and state grant expenditures totaling more than \$2.5 million. Purchasing has successfully worked with Fiscal/Grants in implementing and administering the NEHIDTA initiative for multiple out-of-state and in-state locations. Purchasing has successfully completed the State Credit Card pilot program with future expansion to the department. Purchasing is currently participating in the State of Connecticut CT-GOV on-line purchase order system.

The Quartermaster Unit, under the supervision of the Agency Purchasing Officer, warehouses an inventory of \$1 million in uniforms, office, maintenance, garage, and specialty police supplies. The Quartermaster Unit distributes and outfits new training troops and existing troops and units. The Inventory Control Unit, also overseen by the Agency Purchasing Officer, tracks all agency physical inventory assets, which are valued at \$146 million, including real property.

## **Equal Employment Opportunity Unit**



**Barbara J. Lynch,  
Affirmative Action Administrator**

Personnel assigned to this unit administer, implement and monitor all Equal Employment Opportunity activities of the Department of Public Safety. Responsibilities include developing and evaluating agency policies and procedures.

The unit conducts in-depth investigations into all alleged violations of federal and state fair employment practice laws by and against department employees.

The unit writes and disseminates the Affirmative Action Plan to appropriate state and federal agencies. Other functions of the Equal Employment Opportunity Unit include maintaining liaison with other state and federal agencies involved in civil rights enforcement as well as community organizations concerned about the department and its employees.

The following chart reflects the number of CHRO/EEO complaints filed in this agency:

<b>CHRO/EEO Investigations Filed</b>				
Year	1999	2000	2001	2002
Total	12	5	3	5
Race	5	2	1	1
Sex	6	1	0	1
Other	1	2	2	3
Cases With A Finding For the Complainant:				
	0	1	0	0





**Captain James Sweetman**  
**Chief of Staff**

A Chief of Staff assists the division commander in the management of the division, along with assistance from the Labor Relations Unit, the Employee Assistance Unit, and the Professional Standards Section.

This division, in cooperation with the state Department of Transportation, has instituted programs to increase public awareness of construction zone speed restrictions, state motor vehicle laws, and voluntary compliance with child safety seat and seat belt laws. Special holiday projects are conducted to reduce the number of deaths and injuries due to driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

As the major component of this department, personnel of this division are charged with the responsibility of providing police services to the public including the investigation of crimes, the apprehension of criminals, traffic accident investigations, regulatory and licensing functions, and other matters.

The Chief of Staff manages the Labor Relations Unit for the Division of State Police and reports directly to the Colonel. Labor Relations specializes in the area of employee-labor relations. The unit is staffed with managers with labor relations training and experience that assist department supervisors and managers in the conduct of labor relations matters.

The unit has two professional employees and clerical support personnel assigned to it. The unit represents the department at grievance, arbitration and state prohibited practice hearings. Unit personnel represent supervisors at various hearings dealing with compensation, hours of work, benefits, performance evaluations, and discipline.

Unit personnel act as hearing officers at lower level grievance hearings and assist to negotiate collective bargaining agreements.

A goal of the unit is to eliminate or reduce administrative and civil liability for the department and its members. The unit trains supervisors and managers in new developments and trends related to labor relations matters. Topics include: administration of collective bargaining agreements; disciplining employees, from the beginning of the investigative process to the imposition of discipline; and evaluating employee work performance.

The unit ensures consistent treatment of employees through compliance with relevant laws and collective bargaining agreements. Managers receive training and advice on interpretation of individual collective bargaining agreements and labor laws, making recommendations by reviewing an employee's disciplinary history and conducting a review of comparable cases.

The unit also retains all records of internal affairs investigations, which result in the imposition of discipline.

## **Professional Standards**



**Captain Thomas Snyder  
Commanding Officer**

The Professional Standards Section is comprised of three units; Accreditation, Inspections, and Internal Affairs. These units are tasked with maintaining the integrity of the agency. They furthermore enhance the agencies credibility with the public by providing access, accountability, and credibility.

One Captain, three Lieutenants, one Master Sergeant, five Sergeants, and one Administrative Assistant currently staff this Section. In addition to the above listed units, the Section maintains records of all use of force incidents reported throughout the agency.

Attached is the 2002 Annual Professional Standards Section Report. The report has been separated into four areas, Accreditation, Inspections, Internal Affairs, and Use of Force.

## **ACCREDITATION UNIT**



**Lt. Marianne Daly  
Commanding Officer**

The Accreditation Unit is responsible for assuring that the Agency's policies and procedures are in compliance with current standards set by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (C.A.L.E.A.). The Accreditation Manager must constantly update 443 files that contain compliance materials such as state statutes, department policies and procedures, and numerous written reports generated by all agency divisions.

In addition, the Accreditation Manager liaisons with other agencies throughout the United States in order to maintain the best policies and assist other accredited agencies with related issues.

The Connecticut State Police has been involved with Accreditation since 1985. The Agency first received accredited status in 1988, becoming the second law enforcement agency in Connecticut and the third State Police Department in the United States to receive International Law Enforcement Accreditation. The Agency was re-accredited in 1993, 1998, and again in 2001.

In addition to International Accreditation, the Connecticut State Police are also accredited on the State level. In July of 1998, the Connecticut State Police became one of the first agencies in Connecticut to be awarded State Level Accreditation from the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association (C.P.C.A.) Accreditation Program. The Agency was required to comply with 86 mandatory standards in the area of liability. The Connecticut State Police is currently preparing for its next assessment for re-accreditation in December of 2003.

#### **INTERNAL AFFAIRS UNIT**



Lt. Dale Hourigan  
Commanding Officer

The Connecticut State Police is committed to providing the highest quality of police services to the citizens and visitors of our State. To best serve the public, the Agency has developed a procedure for receiving and investigating citizen complaints.

The Internal Affairs Unit is tasked with conducting investigations into serious allegations of misconduct, racial profiling complaints, accidental discharge of firearms, and the discharge of a firearm outside of training and basic exemptions. Investigations are conducted on both sworn and non-sworn members of the Department of Public Safety.

A total of 93 internal investigations were conducted in 2002, down from 112 in 2001. 73 of those were classified as Internal Affairs (IA) cases, while 20 were classified as Administrative Inquiries (AI). The Internal Affairs Unit investigated 33 of the IA cases (45%), while Troops or Units handled the other 40 cases. All of the Administrative Inquiries were handled at the Troop/Unit level.

The following is a breakdown of administrative investigations conducted by the Connecticut State Police during 2002.

## ALL CASES

93 Internal Affairs case numbers drawn (7 cases have multiple subjects)  
98 Subjects of Internal Affairs investigations

## TYPES OF INVESTIGATIONS

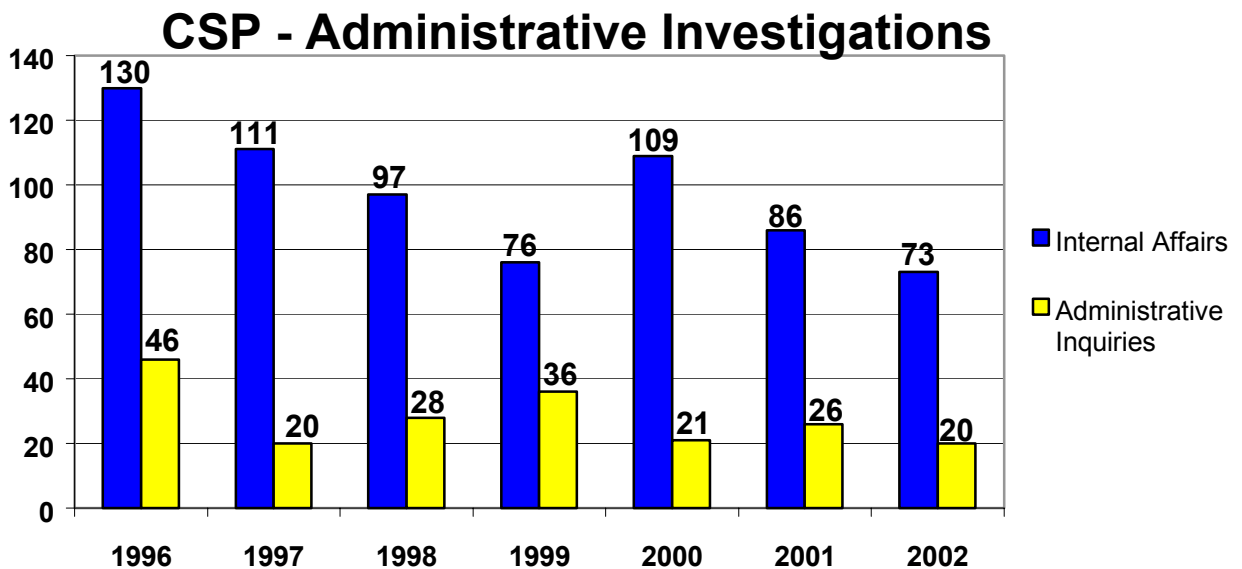
73 Internal Affairs Investigations (IA)  
20 Administrative Investigations (AI)

## COMPLAINTS CLASSIFICATIONS

3 Civil Rights  
2 Criminal  
2 Discharge of Firearm  
5 Excessive Force  
11 Expectation of Performance  
70 Rules and Regulations

## ORIGIN OF COMPLAINTS

27 Citizen initiated  
66 Department initiated



## **INSPECTIONS UNIT**



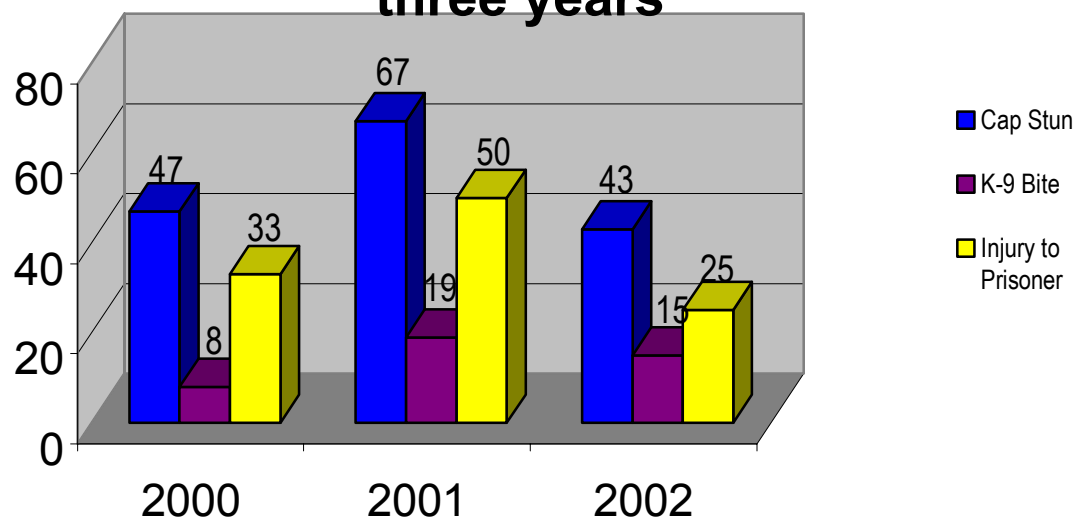
**Lieutenant Benjamin Pagoni  
Commanding Officer**

The Inspections Unit conducts staff inspections of all department commands and facilities and maintains data on the conditions and results of such inspections. For FY 02-03, twenty-four Troops or units have been inspected, resulting in the correction of any noted deficiencies. The intent of the inspections are to ensure all Troops and units within the Department of Public Safety are compliant with requirements set forth in the department's operational manual, ensuring the Connecticut State Police remains a premier law enforcement agency.

## USE OF FORCE REPORT

Use of Force Reports are completed in the field, reviewed and forwarded to the Professional Standards Section for retention. These reports are submitted for documenting cap stun use, K-9 bites, and injuries to prisoners. During the year 2002 there were 83 Use of Force Reports submitted. This is a decrease from 2001 where 136 reports were submitted. The overall Use of Force Reports for 2002 was down 39% from 2001. See the attached sections documenting Use of Force Case details, related grafts, and charts.

### Analysis of Use of Force Reports for three years





## **Employee Assistance Program**

**Sgt. Nancy Vitone  
Commanding Officer**

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is a program designed to address the concerns of department employees and their dependents. During the last year, the unit has dealt with several significant events, including shootings, serious accidents, family issues, and general work related issues. Even though it is difficult to measure success in these areas, the results are evident in the positive work atmosphere and well being of our employees.

EAP is also involved with several wellness programs to provide health services to our employees through health screenings, seminars and education. EAP maintains an active list of doctors and chaplains that are available to all employees.

Due to the stress and demands related to jobs in public safety, EAP's main objective is to act as an employee advocate and provide whatever support or guidance is necessary to foster a positive work environment.

EAP services are confidential and are available 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

## Office of Field Operations



**Lt. Colonel Edward J. Lynch  
Commanding Officer**



**The Office of Field Operations Headquarters is located at  
1111 Country Club Road in Middletown.**

The Office of Field Operations is accountable for the management of the day-to-day operations of three field districts, comprised of twelve troops, three major crime squads, and three traffic units. The Office of Field Operations is also responsible for specialized criminal investigations within the Bureau of Criminal Investigations and the management of the Emergency Services Unit. The Office manages 1,071 sworn personnel and 136 non-sworn personnel.

Troopers patrol both highways and towns ensuring safer roadways and communities throughout the State. OFO was also responsible for coordinating and implementing several traffic enforcement initiatives throughout 2002, including directing managers and non-patrol personnel to traffic duties twice a month to provide an omni-presence and compliance with state traffic laws.

During 2002, the Office of Field Operations was responsible for the implementation of the platoon system-staffing model in the hope of better managing field personnel, and providing improved police services to the citizens of Connecticut.



**Captain Eric C. Smith**  
**Office of Field Operations**  
**Chief of Staff**

The Office of Field Operations is also responsible for implementing operational plans requiring a coordinated State Police effort. Some of the operations included providing ferry escorts and security patrols at the State's airports during the Fourth of July holiday. Additionally, OFO was responsible for providing Troopers, and Detectives to augment Hartford PD during the summer and fall of 2002. OFO also provided narcotics detectives to Willimantic PD, and traffic troopers to Berlin PD to address specific problems in these communities.

Field Operations also developed and implemented a comprehensive plan ensuring that the safety of the State's infrastructure utilizing aerial surveillance, and patrol checks.

The office is also responsible for coordinating law enforcement efforts with local, federal, and other state law enforcement agencies. Field Operations is committed to providing efficient and comprehensive police services for the citizens of Connecticut.





**Captain Roy Beavers**  
**DMR Director of Investigations**

In May of 2000, the department formed a partnership with the Department of Mental Retardation (DMR) by assigning a sworn manager to be their Director of Investigations. DMR receives more than 1,000 allegations of abuse or neglect perpetrated against their clients each year.

The Director of Investigations coordinates all investigative activities within the division and liaisons with local police agencies as a significant number of these investigations lead to criminal complaints. In addition the Director is responsible for contributing to the overall safety and security of DMR clients and employees.



**State Traffic Coordinator**  
**Sgt. Henry Perucki**

The State Traffic Coordinator is responsible for coordinating the efforts of the department towards the elimination of motor vehicle crashes by pursuing programs of enforcement and education. Special enforcement projects are assigned to combat problem areas of the state that experience higher than normal incidences of traffic violations and/or crashes are identified.

The office's education program stresses the value of using occupant restraint systems. This was accomplished through the CONVINCER and ROLL OVER programs. In 2000, 116 CONVINCER events and 1,500 ROLLOVER demonstrations were conducted by department personnel and were viewed by more than 100,000 citizens.

This office is committed to planning and executing programs that will reduce the frequency and severity of crashes and to influence good driving habits through traffic enforcement and education.

## Emergency Services Unit



**MSgt. Daniel Lewis**  
**Commanding Officer**

The Emergency Services Unit consists of the Bomb Squad, Dive Team, Aviation Unit, Tactical Team, Marine Unit, and the Canine Training Unit. The administrative office is currently housed at Troop K in Colchester, while the Canine Training Facility is in Meriden and the Aviation Unit is located at Brainard Airport in Hartford. The Emergency Services Unit is responsible for providing specialized service to all other State Police Troops and Units, as well as all municipal police agencies throughout the state.

The **State Police Bomb Squad** consists of 14 Troopers assigned to various units throughout the State. In addition, four Troopers handle explosive detection canines that are awaiting Hazardous Devices School. The agency has a total of thirteen trained explosive detection canines. The Bomb Squad is responsible for the handling and removal of explosive ordnance, chemicals, and improvised explosive devices. In addition, the Bomb Squad provides informational lectures to civilian and law enforcement officers in bomb recognition and bomb threat procedures. The Bomb Squad also provides explosive sweeps for dignitary visits as a preventative measure and assist with post blast investigations, when the need arises. The safe destruction and disposal of old dynamite, explosive chemicals, and seized fireworks is also part of the unit duties.





The Connecticut State Police Bomb Squad is one of only four accredited Bomb Squads in the State, the others are the Hartford Police Department Bomb Squad, the Stamford Police Bomb Squad, and the Yale/New Haven Bomb Squad. Last year there were 475 calls for service. There were 56 hoax devices or suspicious packages and over 47 live devices, 136 military ordnance & fireworks pickups, 3 post-blast investigations, and 188 bomb sweeps including dignitary protection details. Explosive detecting canines were utilized in 114 of these cases. The Bomb Squad also conducted 63 bomb lectures & in-service training classes and participated in 52 demonstration & displays at various events throughout the state for over 21,000 people.

In addition, the Bomb Squad conducted 6 WMD equipment demonstration and displays at various events throughout the State for over 500 people. That during the past year the Bomb Squad has conducted several joint training exercises in the area of WMD with the Marine Corps CBIRF (Chemical, Biological Incident Response Force) Unit, at their facility at Indian Head MD., as well as in the State of Connecticut.

The **State Police Dive Team** currently consists of 17 Navy trained & certified divers that can dive using both SCUBA equipment and a Surface Supplied Air System. In addition, divers are sent to Canada to train with U.S. Navy and the Canadian military for ice diving operations. Divers are equipped with a full set of diving gear, including dry suits for cold weather operations. A full set of dive gear is carried by each diver, while on patrol, so they can respond immediately to calls for service. The State Police Dive Team is also equipped with underwater metal detector, video cameras, drop cameras, hand held sonar locators, and a side-scan sonar system to aid in locating items underwater in large search areas. Normal operations include recovery of drowning victims, searching for evidence or hull searches of ships entering Connecticut harbors from foreign ports. Last year divers performed 78 dives. The State Police Dive Team responded to 10 calls for drowning victims, 4 vehicle recoveries, conducted 2 hull searches for U.S. Customs and 4 calls to assist the U.S. Coast Guard. The State Police Dive Team conducted 16 dives for evidence and investigation of suspicious incidents. In addition the Dive team participated in 26 demonstrations and displays both in and out of State for over 16,000 people.





The **State Police Marine Unit** consists of three Zodiac inflatable boats, one twenty-five foot rigid hull, a nineteen foot rigid hull, a smaller sixteen-foot inflatable boat, and a 20 foot Hovercraft vessel capable of operating on ice, fast moving or shallow water. The boats are used to assist the Dive Team, search for evidence or bodies using Side-Scan sonar, and for security at public events. Last year the boats were used to provide security at Riverfest celebration in Hartford, the increased security detail at Millstone Nuclear in Waterford, and fireworks and marine events throughout the state.

The side-scan sonar was used 9 times to assist in body and vehicle searches in support of the Dive Team. The Marine patrol also provided assistance to EDMC with an investigation, by providing electronic surveillance from a lake. In addition, the Marine Unit participated in 23 demonstration and displays at various events throughout the State for over 16,000 people.

The **State Police Aviation Unit** is based at Brainard Airport in Hartford. There are currently three full time pilots assigned to the unit to operate the three Cessna 182-fixed wing aircraft, and the Bell 407 Helicopter, (Trooper One). In addition to the three full time pilots there are three temporary worker retirees that are fixed wing pilots and conduct missions for the Unit. Last year the pilots logged 793 hours of flight time performing surveillance, search and rescue missions, photographic missions, traffic enforcement, prisoner extradition, transportation for State Police and other agencies, utilizing the three fixed wing aircraft. The two helicopter pilots logged 921 hours of flight time aboard Trooper One. The State Police helicopter has FLIR (Forward Looking Infrared Red) , Nightsun, Video down-link system, and a state-of-the-art avionics/communications package enabling them to communicate with most agencies in the State. The aviation unit flew over 1,117 missions in support of Federal, State and local law enforcement agencies. Several missing persons were located, wanted persons were captured and high speed pursuits were monitored and controlled utilizing the equipment aboard Trooper One.



The **State Police Tactical Team** is comprised of twenty-five members, including the Commanding Officer of Emergency Services Unit. The unit is divided into two teams, one east and one west of Interstate 91. Each team consists of twelve members. All members receive basic and advanced tactical training, as well as specialized training for team medics, snipers, breachers, and canine handlers. The Tactical Team is used for armed and barricaded subjects, hostage situations, high-risk warrant service, high-risk prisoner escorts, dignitary protection, or any other situation that requires special training or weapons. The Tactical Team also includes four crisis negotiators trained in the use of portable throw telephones and techniques, in dealing with people in crisis. During 2002, the State Police Tactical Team was used on 21 occasions, including 9 calls for armed barricaded subjects, 6 calls to assist with high risk warrant service, and 5 calls for Riot/Civil Disturbance support. In addition, the Tactical Unit participated in 18 demonstration and displays at various events throughout the State for over 16,000 people.



The **State Police Canine Unit** is responsible for the selection and training of patrol dogs and specialty dogs such as narcotic detection, explosive detection, and accelerant detection used at suspected arson scenes. In addition, to the German Shepherd patrol dogs and the Labrador retriever specialty dogs, the State Police Canine Unit has three bloodhounds used for long term tracking situations. During 2002, canines were used approximately 3800 times in searching for missing or wanted persons, crowd control, handler protection, and search and rescue operations. Connecticut State Police canines are constantly requested in and out of State to assist other agencies because of their reputation of success.

In addition, to training dogs for the State Police Department, the Canine Unit is also responsible for training patrol dog teams for municipalities in and outside Connecticut. Each month, 100 patrol dog teams return to the canine unit for in-service training. Our training staff continually trains specialty dogs for many other states and countries.

During the year 2002 the Canine Unit held training classes in the following areas: Patrol, Explosive, Narcotic, Arson and Search and Rescue.

## STATE POLICE CANINE UNIT



## **State Police Auxiliary Forces**



**Mickey Caruso**  
**Auxiliary Coordinator**

In 1941, Commissioner Edward J. Hickey established the Auxiliary State Trooper Program. This program was primarily formed to guard bridges and military manufacturing plants and to scan the shoreline of the state against possible invasion by enemy forces or saboteurs as the United States prepared to enter World War II.

The auxiliary forces were expanded to more than 1,200 volunteers and, at the conclusion of the war; they were assigned to field stations to augment patrol troopers in their basic mission of responding to calls for service.

In 1988, the department ended auxiliary training classes because of accreditation requirements and budget restrictions. Currently there are 55 auxiliary state troopers on active duty and 22 who carry out administrative assignments. Regular auxiliary troopers perform patrol and general service duties, including assisting in the conduct of criminal and accident investigations and assisting disabled motorists on Connecticut's highways.

Auxiliary troopers qualify annually with firearms, are certified as medical responders and are trained in the use of the PR-24 and CapStun aerosol spray. Essentially, they must be fully P.O.S.T. (Police Officer Standards and Training) certified and are held to the same professional standards as full time regular troopers.

During 2002, volunteer auxiliary forces contributed 27,556 hours of service to the state. Over the past ten years, these efforts have saved the taxpayers of Connecticut more than \$10 million dollars in lieu of the wages and benefits that would have been paid to full time troopers who would have been required to perform the same duties.

During the past year, auxiliary troopers took the defensive driving course and attended seminars on gambling, motorcycle gangs and instructions on in-car videos.

The last two department employees to die in the line of duty were both auxiliary state troopers.

## Eastern District Headquarters



**Eastern District Headquarters is located at 401 West Thames Street in Norwich.**



**Major Steven Fields  
Commanding Officer**

Eastern District covers the eastern third of the state and is bordered by the state of Massachusetts to the north and Long Island Sound to the south. It stretches from the City of Manchester, east to Rhode Island.

The district is comprised of four troops: Troop C in Tolland, Troop D in Danielson, Troop E in Montville, Troop K in Colchester and a Headquarters Unit located in Norwich. The 328 sworn and 40 civilian support personnel provide primary, comprehensive police services to an area that encompasses 49 towns, covering 1,536 square miles, with a population of 293,804. District troopers patrol 183 miles of limited access highways and an additional 3,581 miles of state and town roads.

The troop area is primarily rural and residential, but there are also areas of light and heavy industry bordering several urban areas, resulting in a population with a very diverse economic base.

Reflecting its residential makeup, the Eastern District has the largest Resident Trooper program in the state. Under this program, 57 troopers and sergeants provide localized, community oriented policing to 26 towns that contract with the department for these services.





Troop C  
Tolland



Troop D  
Danielson



**Eastern District Headquarters**

Troop E  
Montville

Norwich



Troop K  
Colchester



**Captain Louis E. Lacaprucia**  
**Executive Officer**

Troopers assigned to the district Traffic Squad are commanded by the district executive officer. The Traffic Squad supplies support for patrol personnel in the area of speed and hazardous moving violation enforcement programs using radar, laser, VASCAR and department aircraft. The Commercial Enforcement Unit operates both fixed and portable commercial vehicle scale operations throughout the district and has certified commercial vehicle specialist who assists with accident investigations and activities associated with commercial vehicles.

The Selective Enforcement Unit has seven troopers assigned to it. In addition to selective enforcement responsibilities on limited access and state highways, the unit has integrated community and cooperative policing concepts with traffic enforcement goals. Enforcement projects are no longer aimed exclusively at limited access highways, but also include particular problem areas in the rural communities served by our agency.

The Traffic Squad provides security for dignitaries and special events. It ordinarily supplies support to the troops during inclement weather and any other needs directed by district headquarters.

Traffic Operations Summary for the year:  
Citations issued 24,117  
Criminal investigations 39



The Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit or Truck Squad has six troopers and three civilian weight and safety inspectors. Their primary mission is to enforce size and weight legal limits throughout the district. Since the department entered the Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program (MCSAP) with the federal government in an effort to reduce commercial motor vehicle accidents, troopers also conduct roadside safety inspections of commercial vehicles and drivers.



All personnel are responsive to the needs of the trucking and regulatory communities. Relative to their field of expertise, troopers participate in public speaking engagements, open forums, instructional seminars and demonstrate portable scale operations at special events. From a technical aspect personnel also assist district troops with commercial vehicle accident investigations. The truck squad also assists local police agencies with joint enforcement projects, which enables the police officers to obtain specialized training.

The squad ordinarily supplies support to the district troops during inclement weather and other needs as directed by district headquarters.

Operation Summary:

Vehicles weighed	175,070
Vehicle citations	5,516
FMC Safety Inspections	1,268
Total out of service trucks	1,231
Total out of service drivers	226
Total number of violations	5,951



## **Eastern District Major Crime Squad**



**Lt. Gene Labonte  
Commanding Officer**

The Eastern District Major Crime Squad is staffed by extensively trained and highly skilled detectives who respond to major crime calls, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in eastern Connecticut. The Unit's geographical area of responsibility includes 51 towns with primary investigative responsibility in 45 of those towns. The unit is comprised of a Major Crime Squad, made up of a sergeant and several detectives, that primarily investigates homicides occurring within the eastern part of the State. Due to their expertise and technical abilities, this squad is often requested by other police agencies and State's Attorney's Offices to process complex crime scenes through documentation, collection and preservation of evidence. Additional criminal investigative units are maintained at Troops C, D, E and K. Each of these CI units is made up of a sergeant and several detectives. These units investigate major crimes occurring in areas of primary state police jurisdiction within the respective troop areas. These units also frequently assist local police departments with complex major crime investigations as well as guide and assist troop patrol personnel as required.

The limited number of organized local police departments in eastern Connecticut means that our personnel investigate a large number of cases. Additionally this requires detectives who are able to manage a heavy caseload and still provide excellent investigative services adequate for successful criminal prosecutions. During 2002 the Eastern District Major Crime Squad conducted 339 criminal investigations including 2 homicides. Furthermore they conducted 206 assists to troop patrol personnel and local police departments including 6 additional murder and/or manslaughter investigations.

In addition to investigating crimes such as murder, kidnapping, robbery and violent assaults the Eastern District Major Crime Squad also provides specially trained investigators to investigate sexual assaults. This year the EDMCS expanded its community policing initiative by adding an additional detective to the Troop D CI Unit to assist with the large number of sexual assault investigations. These two detectives along with a third detective at Troop E have received specialized training with respect to sexual assault investigations. They liaison with the Department of Children and Families and sexual assault/domestic violence crisis personnel. Furthermore, they assist local, federal and other State agencies with similar investigations as well as provide essential services to educate community members about crimes against children and women.

The Eastern District Major Crime Squad continues to maintain a website for unsolved homicides and other violent crimes.



The website can be accessed at [www.state.ct.us/dps](http://www.state.ct.us/dps).

Click on "help us" and then Eastern District Major Crime Squad.

## **Troop C -- Tolland**



**Troop C Headquarters is located on Rte 74 at 1320 Tolland Stage Road in Tolland.**



**Lt. Robert Corona  
Commanding Officer**

Troop C is located on Route 74 just north of Interstate I-84 and can be accessed via exit 69 on I-84. Troop C's troopers patrol 26 miles of Interstate I-84 from the Vernon – Manchester town line to the Massachusetts State line. Troop C provides primary police services for eight of the ten towns in the troop's operational area while providing assistance and support to the two towns that have independent police departments. Troop C's area covers approximately 370.8 square miles and has a population of approximately 75,000 people.

The town of Mansfield is home to the University of Connecticut, Connecticut's largest college and the second largest college in all of New England. Although the University of Connecticut Police Department polices the UConn campus, many of the universities 23,000 students reside in or commute through the Troop C area. Troop C troopers are also regularly called upon to assist and support the UConn Police with incidents that occur on the campus. Additionally, every April UConn's "Spring Weekend" takes place during which thousands of UConn students and college aged persons gather in and around the campus for three days and nights of college sanctioned and unsanctioned festivities. The Connecticut State Police dedicate a significant number of troopers to the UConn campus in what has been for several years now the largest annual deployment of state troopers to one single, scheduled event. "Spring Weekend", which can best be described as a "Mardi Gras" for UConn students and their friends, always poses an interesting mix of law enforcement and public safety challenges to the troopers assigned to police it.

The Stafford Motor Speedway on Route 140 in Stafford attracts thousands of NASCAR racing fans each year and Troop C troopers provide law enforcement duties at these events.

Many of the state's most beautiful parks and forests are located in Troop C's area, including Mansfield Hollow Dam State Park, Bigelow Hollow State Park in Union and Soap Stone Mountain State Park in Somers. The Department of Environmental Protection regularly calls on Troop C for assistance with matters such as searching for lost visitors within the parks.

Troop C has 64 troopers who are supervised by 12 sergeants. A lieutenant commands the troop with a master sergeant assigned as executive officer. Of the 64 troopers assigned to Troop C, 18 are assigned to one of the five Resident State Trooper Offices. Of the 12 sergeants assigned to Troop C, 4 are assigned to Resident State Trooper Offices as Resident State Trooper Sergeants. The Resident State Trooper program at Troop C is the largest in the state.

In October of 2001 Troopers Kenneth Albert, Craig Murray, Michael O'Toole, Adam Pillsbury, and Forrest Ruddy were awarded the State Police Medal for Outstanding Service for their actions in July 2001 in which they apprehended, in Coventry, two subjects who had just perpetrated an armed robbery at a bank in Tolland. This apprehension led to these subjects being charged and convicted for this bank robbery and another bank robbery in Coventry that had occurred several weeks earlier.

In November of 2001 TFC Michael O'Toole was given the "Mothers' Against Drunk Driving – Joe Gioia Award" for dedication beyond the call of duty. The mother of a young man who had died in a fatal accident that TFC O'Toole investigated in 1999 nominated TFC O'Toole for this award.

In November of 2001 TFC Michael Hesnan was honored by the Rockville Elks Club as "Trooper of the Year" in recognition of his, then, 25 years as a Connecticut State Trooper and 16 years as one of Ellington's Resident State Troopers. Many of TFC Hesnan's fellow troopers, including Colonel Timothy Barry, and numerous citizens of Ellington were at the dinner that was held to honor this veteran trooper.

In December of 2001 Trooper Robert Palmer was recognized by Mothers' Against Drunk Driving for the 42 D.W.I. arrests he made in 2001. Tpr. Palmer maintained his extraordinary efforts in this area by making 31 D.W.I. arrests in 2002.

In August of 2002 Troop C hosted a Child Safety Day during which 135 children were fingerprinted, photographed, and given child safety packets and 50 child safety seats were inspected. The individual Resident State Trooper Offices hosted similar events throughout the year.

In October of 2002 Troop C hosted the fifth session of the Troop C Citizen's Police Academy. There were 19 graduates of the ten-week program, which introduced the students to nearly all aspects of the state police.

In October of 2002, as part of the State Employee Campaign for Charitable Giving, a softball game took place in Willington in which Troop C troopers faced off against Troop D troopers. Over \$1000 was raised through this event and donated to the "Hole in the Wall Gang Camp" in Ashford, a camp that provides recreational services to seriously ill children and their families. Long-time Troop C clerk, Nancy Pacyna, took the lead in coordinating this event and deserves much of the credit for its success.





During 2002 and the early part of 2003 Troop C troopers made some extraordinary efforts in the area of narcotics interdiction through motor vehicle stops conducted on Interstate I-84. In May of 2002 TFC Richard Piaseczynski arrested one subject and seized 7.5 lbs. of cocaine during a traffic stop on I-84. In October of 2002 TFC Michael Connors arrested two subjects and seized 225 grams of marijuana and 238 grams of cocaine during an I-84 traffic stop. During December of 2002 and early January of 2003 TFC Patrick Mulcahy made five arrests and seized over 6 lbs. of heroin, more than one half pound of cocaine, and over \$3400 cash through traffic stops on I-84. And in February 2003 Trooper Jason Dragon arrested one subject and seized one pound of marijuana and a stolen, loaded handgun during a traffic stop on I-84.

In March of 2003 the Rockville Exchange Club recognized Trooper Scott Crevier, in a ceremony at the Colony Restaurant in Vernon, as "Police Officer of the Year." Tpr. Crevier was selected for this award because of the outstanding criminal investigative work he had done as one of Mansfield's Resident State Troopers in just a nine-month period of time. Included in Tpr. Crevier's impressive criminal work during this brief period of time was his maintaining a 72% solve rate on his 61 assigned criminal cases, his solving of six burglaries and two felony larcenies, and his personal recovery of over \$15,000 worth of stolen property.



## **Troop D Danielson**



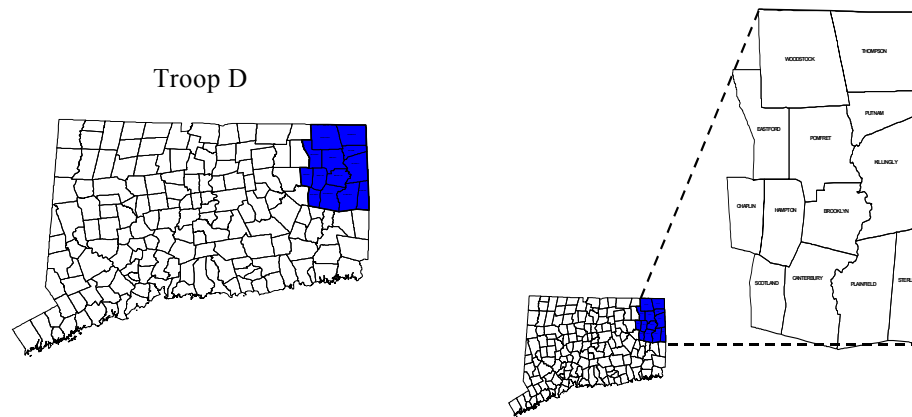
**Troop D Headquarters is located at 55 Westcott Road in Danielson.**



**Lt. Michael Guillot  
Commanding Officer**

Troop D is located at exit 92 off of Interstate 395 in the Town of Killingly. Troop D's responsibility geographically lies in the northeast corner of the state. Bordered on the north by the State of Massachusetts and to the east by the State of Rhode Island, the area of patrol responsibility consist of 12 of the 13 towns located in the troop area consisting of a population of over 80,000 people. Main highways include 40 miles of Interstate-395, also Route 6 from the Town of Windham to the Rhode Island line and Routes 44 & 101 from the Town of Ashford to Rhode Island. Over 1, 000 miles of roadways are covered.

The Resident Trooper program has been implemented in five of the twelve towns of responsibility. Resident Troopers are responsible for the day-to-day activity in their assigned towns. They are tasked, not only with investigations as needed, but with identifying public safety issues and addressing them with the town officials. Resident Troopers are also DARE certified and teach up to 20 classes a year encompassing over 500 students. Troop D is unique from most other troops as there are no local constabularies working under the supervision of a resident trooper. All investigations are conducted by the patrol force, resident troopers, and the Major Crime Unit stationed at the troop.



During the year 2002, Troopers conducted “directed enforcement efforts” on Rt. 6, I-395 and selected Towns. This task was undertaken in response to the increase in speeding and injury accidents, particularly during the daily commute. This enforcement included radar, seat belt enforcement and spot checks.

Above and beyond its normal patrol functions, Troop D also has been strongly committed to community policing. In particular, A “Quality of Life Task Force” was implemented in August/2001 to address the high crime areas of the Boro of Danielson and the Quebec Square area of Brooklyn. This extremely successful program consists of one sergeant and four troopers who have spearheaded community efforts in improving the quality of life of the residents. In particular, formerly prevalent outdoors narcotic trafficking has been stopped, outreach programs have been implemented and a children’s play area have been created. Two troopers are assigned as “school resource officers” to meet the needs of the area schools as they relate to children in crisis and other matters involving investigations. One trooper is assigned as a “youth officer” whose main responsibility consists of following up activities of the school resource officers and assisting with DCF referrals and family and domestic abuse cases. Three troopers are assigned to “ownership patrols” which allow these troopers to address criminal and motor vehicle complaints in selected towns on a regular basis, thus allowing them to become more familiar and effective when addressing the policing needs of that particular community. Two troopers are also assigned as a “warrant team” to assist the patrol troopers with locating and arresting fugitives and providing victim assistance when restraining and protective orders are issued.

Troop D Troopers and past Alumni share a unique bond. The “Downstairs Athletic Club” comprised of present and past members of Troop D participate in daily physical fitness. This encourages camaraderie amongst troop personnel both in the work and social environment. The “Downstairs Athletic Club” also contributes to many charities throughout the year to include the Tommy Toy Fund, United Services and an adult and children Christmas party. Both sworn and non-sworn personnel from Troop D have also organized and participated in food drives several times throughout the year.

Troop D also has four Troopers at Troop D who are certified K-9 handlers. Their success can be directly contributed to their dedication to the program. Troop D K-9 handlers are credited with many successful tracks and apprehension of both missing and wanted persons.

## **Troop E – Montville**



**Troop E Headquarters is located on Interstate I-395 in Montville.**



**Lt. Patrick O'Hara  
Commanding Officer**

Troop E is located in New London County with a total patrol area of 316 square miles. Troop E also patrols two-limited access highways, Interstate 95 and 395, which are main arteries for traveling between New York, Boston and all of New England.

Troop E has 14 towns in its troop area and is responsible for all law enforcement functions in 9 of those towns. Troop E also provides technical assistance and police support to five towns that have organized police departments. Troop E conducts police operations and investigations at Three Rivers Community College, Superior Court and Norwich Technical School within the City of Norwich. Grasso Technical School and the Groton/New London Airport with the Town of Groton. Also 31 state facilities, parks and forests, and four state correctional institutes.

Troop E provides policing and community services to the public through patrol troopers, resident state troopers, school resource officers, community resource officers, auxiliary troopers and civilian support staff. School resource officers are assigned to the state technical schools and the Griswold school system.

During the past year Troop E personnel have hosted numerous Community Policing events. These events include Family Safety Days, Safety Camps, Block Watch Programs, Career Days at middle and high schools, Senior Citizen Combating Fraud Seminars and Kid Safety Days.

Troop E personnel hosted Car Seat clinics in the troop area. During these clinics close to 200 car seats were installed. Most of the car seats were found to be installed incorrectly. The most common misuses included:

- Child seat not held tight in the vehicle
- Improper use of the locking clip
- Seat belt not in the lock mode
- Harness straps were not snug on the child
- Harness straps were incorrectly threaded
- Inappropriate child seat for the child
- Child seats were too old (over 6 years old)

Troop E maintains a bust patrol area due the Foxwoods Casino and Mohegan Sun Casino. This has increased the amount of traffic, motor vehicle accidents and other related incidents and crimes. Troop E maintains the Resident State Trooper Program in East Lyme, Montville, Ledyard, Jewett City, Lisbon, Sprague, Preston and North Stonington.

A primary goal of personnel assigned to Troop E is to create an environment within the communities where the public can feel safe and free from unreasonable interruption of their lives. Personnel assigned to Troop E are challenged daily to provide police services and to work with citizens to find creative solutions to solve quality of life issues.



## **Troop K – Colchester**



**Troop K Headquarters is located on Hartford Road in Colchester.**



**Lt. Carl Schultz  
Commanding Officer**

Troop K is located in east central Connecticut adjacent to Route 2. The troop serves twelve towns that are spread out over five counties. The troop area is a mixture of rural and residential areas, farms and small businesses.

Nine towns covered by Troop K participate in the Resident State Trooper program. Windham, Bozrah and Franklin enjoy coverage primarily by troop patrols.

Troop K members provide a variety of services to towns within their jurisdiction. Troop members are routinely involved with criminal and motor vehicle accident investigations, as well as traffic enforcement on major arteries.

Troop K is quite active in community policing efforts. There are currently three full-time school resource officers providing in-depth services to area schools. Additionally, Resident Troopers are active in DARE classes throughout the school systems.

Troop K continues to dedicate a team of troopers to provide traditional and non-traditional law enforcement initiatives within the Windham Heights complex. This WHYCOP (Windham Heights Youth and Community Outreach Program) program has been in place since May of 2000. The quality of life has improved in the complex and surrounding area, due to the dedicated efforts of assigned personnel.

In November 2002 eight members of Troop K were honored at the Department's Awards Ceremony. Among the actions that were honored were the successful rescue of (3) three occupants of a house filled with carbon monoxide, and the apprehension of a burglar in progress after a vehicle and foot pursuit. Troop K also honored two civilians for their roles in saving the life of an accident victim and the recovery of a missing child in a densely forested area.

Troop K proudly serves the public and encourages their participation in community programs. The 2002 annual open house, held in conjunction with the Colchester Fire Department, was again well received. The first annual Troop K Halloween Party was held and attracted 250 area children. The attendees participated in events including: a bonfire, s'mores, moonwalk, and treats donated by local businesses. This was an enormous success and Troop K looks forward to providing this event in the years to come.



*A department canine receives welcome attention from an attendee at a Troop Open House.*

The entire staff at Troop K continues to put their best foot forward to benefit all citizens of the State of Connecticut.



*TFC James O'Rourke fingerprints a boy as part of the KIDCARE Identification Program.*



## **Central District Headquarters**



**Central District Headquarters is located at 294 Colony Street in Meriden.**



**Major Vincent McSweeney  
Commanding Officer**

Central District Headquarters, (CDHQ), is located in Meriden and directs the operations of four state police troops, the district Major Crime Squad and Traffic Unit.

CDHQ is responsible for the state's central corridor, extending from the Massachusetts border to Long Island Sound. This area includes towns in which the department has primary jurisdiction and many towns and cities with organized police departments. The area has an approximate population of 1.6 million located in 1,168 square miles with 470 miles of limited access highway and an international airport that serves approximately seven million passengers each year.



Troop H  
Hartford



Troop F  
Westbrook



Central District Headquarters

Meriden

Troop I  
Bethany

Troop W  
Windsor Locks



**Captain Paul Samuels**  
**Executive Officer**

### **CENTRAL DISTRICT TRAFFIC UNIT**

The Central District Traffic Unit (CDTU) is located at the State Police Complex in Meriden. Unit operations are administered by two District Traffic Supervisors under the overall operational command of the Central District Commander. CDTU encompasses two squads, a Selective Enforcement Squad and a Commercial Enforcement Squad.

**MISSION:** The mission of the Central District Traffic Unit (CDTU) is to fairly and impartially enforce the state's motor vehicle laws through selective enforcement in an effort to reduce hazardous vehicle operation and the number of traffic accidents that occur on highway systems throughout the district.

In addition, the CDTU mission includes the achievement of increased highway safety through a comprehensive commercial vehicle enforcement program, including size and weight enforcement and the enforcement of federal motor carrier safety regulations.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** The Central District Traffic Unit has the responsibility for conducting selective traffic enforcement efforts in the state's central corridor. A variety of programs and techniques are employed including Radar, VASCAR, laser and aerial speed enforcement. The Unit also conducts operations at the Middletown Weigh Station and portable scale operations through its Truck Squad.



**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** In 2002, the CDTU provided traffic escorts for the three-day Connecticut Special Olympics Torch Run, which encompasses over 550 route miles throughout the state. This complex detail culminated with CDTU motorcycle troopers leading the procession of the final "leg" into the venue for the Special Olympics Summer Games at Southern Connecticut State University. The Unit also provided escorts for various dignitaries traveling through or within the state, including Vice-President Richard Cheney. During 2002, the Central District Traffic Unit continued its collaborative enforcement effort with the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles. This joint-agency motor vehicle enforcement project occurs approximately 4 times per month statewide and has been successful in addressing hazardous moving violations throughout the state's highway systems. This effort will continue in 2003.

The Unit also participated in a number of joint-agency enforcement projects with municipal police departments within the district. Joint-agency projects with the Shelton, Hamden, Wallingford, New Haven, and Farmington Police Departments have been established to assist the municipalities with specific traffic safety concerns. CDTU provides personnel, equipment resources and specialized training to assist the municipalities with these efforts. In 2003, CDTU will assist the Woodbridge Police Department with their commercial vehicle enforcement efforts.





During the summer of 2002, the agency was requested by the Berlin Police Department to assist them with the development of a joint-agency traffic “task force” to address emerging traffic safety issues on the Berlin Turnpike. CDTU established the framework for the program, which was administered through the Office of Field Operations. The program, which was later expanded to include personnel from the Eastern and Western District Traffic Units and which lasted through the summer months, was instrumental in addressing various traffic safety concerns on the Berlin Turnpike.

**UNIT EQUIPMENT:** CDTU utilizes a variety of vehicles for traffic enforcement. In 2002, the Unit took delivery of a Chevrolet Impala and a Dodge Intrepid, which have been assigned to Unit personnel conducting selective enforcement operations. These vehicles, which join an existing Unit specialty enforcement vehicle fleet, have been used to effectively address aggressive driving in the major metropolitan areas within the district. The Truck Squad operates Ford Expeditions to conduct portable scale operations and roadside commercial vehicle inspections. The Unit operates 5 motorcycles for procession escorts and other traffic assignments. The Unit also maintains and operates a “Total Station” electronic scene mapping system. This equipment has been used to support State Police Troops and municipal police agencies with the development of scale diagrams for accident and crime scenes.

**ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL PD OR GROUPS:** The Unit regularly provides specialized assistance to State Police Troops and other police agencies in the form of accident reconstruction, commercial vehicle inspection and joint traffic enforcement efforts. In addition, the Unit assists the Training Academy staff with recruit training in the area of speed enforcement and commercial vehicle enforcement.

The Unit has also assisted the Department of Transportation with bridge weight restriction enforcement within the district. In addition, the Unit regularly accommodates requests from private entities for agency speakers. Unit members have provided lectures and demonstrations on a wide variety of traffic related topics.

**FUTURE PLANS:** The Unit will be continuing its joint operations with DMV in 2003 on selected roadways within the District. In addition, the unit will continue to provide personnel to support the agency’s “Saturation Enforcement Initiative” and “Decentralized Traffic Plan”.

#### **CDTU Statistics for 2002**



TOTAL TICKETS ISSUED:	13,743	TOTAL TRUCKS OUT OF SERVICE:	228
TOTAL TRUCKS WEIGHED:	5,211	TOTAL DRIVERS OUT OF SERVICE:	23

## Photos



**Photo #1:** Members of the Central District Traffic Unit were assigned motorcade responsibilities associated with Vice President Cheney's visit to Connecticut in 2002. CDTU Troopers joined personnel from Troop H, Troop W, ESU and Hartford PD to ensure the security of the Vice President during his visit.

## **Central District Major Crime Squad**

The Mulcahy Complex in Meriden is home to the Central District Major Crime Squad (CDMCS). The Squad shares Building #1 with Central District Headquarters. The CDMCS is compiled of seventeen dedicated and talented detectives, four sergeants and one lieutenant who is the commanding officer. Troops I (Bethany), F (Westbrook) and H (Hartford) each has a Criminal Investigative Unit comprised of a sergeant and four detectives and the van unit consists of five detectives and a sergeant. The units work as individual entities or in many cases combine efforts to compile a formidable contingent of experienced, dedicated and enthusiastic criminal investigation specialists.

The duties and responsibilities of the CDMCS are numerous requiring acute devotion to facts and circumstances and the scrutiny of minute evidence. Investigators are constantly called upon by various agencies to assist them or to assume the primary lead in an investigation. Investigators from the CDMCS have developed a strong base of support from local police departments and federal agencies as the CDMCS has assisted them in crime scene processing and in criminal investigation procedures. The CDMCS works cooperatively and in conjunction with the Eastern and Western District Major Crimes Squads as well as other units within the agency as circumstances dictate.

In 2002, the CDMCS van personnel assisted twenty-four separate agencies with incidents ranging from fatal motor vehicle accident to multiple homicides. In addition to assists to local and federal agencies, the CDMCS van personnel investigated numerous incidents, to include the murder/suicide of a former Ansonia police chief and his wife, the suspicious death of a patient at Connecticut Valley Hospital, a fatal police shooting involving a New Britain police officer, a double homicide in East Windsor and many others. In conjunction with the agencies community policing initiatives, the van squad performed over thirty presentations to numerous groups including CSP in-service training, recruit training and in-service training for Superior Court Judges.

During the 2002 calendar year, the Troop F Criminal Investigative Unit investigated a vast array of cases including but not limited to, bias crimes, child pornography, drowning, suicide, untimely deaths, larceny, assault, perjury, extortion and computer crimes. The majority of investigations were sexual assault complaints which numbered thirty-four. The center piece investigation was a homicide that was initiated as a missing person complaint. This case involved a young man from Durham who advertised his vehicle for sale. As a potential buyer test drove the vehicle, the young male was beaten to death and his body hidden in the woods. The suspect then drove off in the vehicle. The young man was reported missing by his family. As investigators began their work, witnesses were identified and located. Investigators found the young man's body secreted in a heavily wooded area during a severe thunderstorm. A forensic search of the area found multiple items of evidence including a watch that was not the victims. A suspect was identified, but fled the state as investigators closed in. An active arrest warrant is on file for the miscreant responsible for this crime. This case has appeared on America's Most Wanted and numerous local media outlets.

The Troop H Criminal Investigative (C.I.) Unit is routinely called upon to investigate matters within the primary jurisdiction of Troop H. This consists of many state buildings and offices located in the capital region, six correctional facilities, four Superior Court locations and the Town of East Granby. The unit is also called upon to respond to Troop W to assist with criminal investigations. The Troop H Criminal Investigative Unit assumed the lead role in a homicide of a female from Hartford. The female's body was discovered in Rhode Island, but investigative leads bring the act of kidnapping back to the Hartford area. The investigation is ongoing, but investigators have the suspect in custody on an unrelated case. Detectives from the Troop H C.I. Unit worked very closely with members of the Hartford Police Department and the Rhode Island State Police on this case. The Hartford C.I. Unit is also responsible for the location and capture of an escaped prisoner who was a convicted felon and considered extremely dangerous. A thorough and methodical investigation was the catalyst behind the capture. Due to the proximity of Troop H to the capital area, members of this office routinely investigate politically sensitive cases, requiring the utmost in professional discretion.



The Troop I Criminal Investigative (C.I.) Unit handled numerous complaints of criminal activities in the Troop I area of coverage. This included but was not limited to homicides, suspicious deaths, robberies, sexual assaults and police involved incidents. Investigators handled many investigations from the Adult Correctional Institution in Cheshire and New Haven and the Juvenile facility in New Haven. Four Superior Courts are located within the Troop I

C.I. Unit's jurisdiction. In September, the Milford State's Attorney's office requested the Unit to investigate the death of a pedestrian on I-95 in West Haven. The State's Attorney's office requested that the Unit become involved in the investigation after learning that an individual was involved in an assault and then led West Haven officers on a foot pursuit which culminated with the individual running onto I-95 where he was fatally struck by a passing vehicle. This request was made after members of the media and the community questioned the actions of police officers. Members of the Troop I C.I. Unit worked diligently and cooperatively with the West Haven Police Department, the Milford State's Attorney's Office, members of the community and the pedestrian's family to produce a fair and accurate report of the incident.

The above mentioned incidents are a microcosm of the incidents that members of the Central District Major Crime Squad have been involved in the year 2002. Many cases involved great human suffering and tragedy that leaves permanent mark on each detective. In light of such weight upon their emotions, no crime would be solved or miscreant captured without the devotion and professionalism that each member of the Squad puts forth each day. This Squad's most valuable asset is not a piece of equipment, but rather, the people within.



## Major Crime Squad



## **Troop F – Westbrook**



**Troop F Headquarters is located on Interstate I-95, just south of Exit 66 in Westbrook.**



**Lt. Brian McLean  
Commanding Officer**

Troop F is located along the shoreline of south central Connecticut in the Town of Westbrook. The troop serves 17 towns encompassing a total patrol area of 470.9 square miles within Middlesex, New London and New Haven Counties. Troop F patrols two major highways, Interstate 95 and Route 9, totaling 100 miles. In addition, Troop F also conducts police operations and investigations at Middletown Superior Court, Connecticut Valley Hospital, Whiting Forensic Institute, Connecticut Juvenile Training School, Department of Motor Vehicle in Old Saybrook, Department of Environmental Protection Marine Safety Headquarters in Old Lyme, Hammonasset State Park in Madison, Chatfield Hollow State Park in Killingworth and Miller's Pond State Park in Haddam.

Troop F is responsible for primary law enforcement functions in 10 of the 17 towns within its jurisdiction. Troop F provides technical assistance and support to the other seven towns that have organized police departments. The Resident State Trooper Program is currently in operation in nine of the ten towns under Troop F's coverage. These towns contract with the department for one or more troopers to be assigned to their towns. The Resident Trooper provides police services, identifying and addressing all public safety issues and concerns within the town. Resident Troopers supervise and direct the activities of town police officers. Resident Troopers work with community leaders, members of the business community, educational institutions and other town groups and citizens to identify and implement cooperative solutions to various public safety concerns. Resident Troopers promote and provide special programs to meet the needs of their communities.



In 1999 Troop F was chosen to pilot the department's "Community Policing Efforts" and nine additional positions were added to the Troop F roster under a Community Policing Grant. Troop F was the first State Police Barracks to initiate the School Resource Officer program. Five Troopers were selected and assigned to the troop's five public school systems to provide primary law enforcement functions. The School Resource Officers also serve as the Youth Officer for the school district. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, dealing with all police related issues within the school, acting as the liaison with school administrators and faculty, teaching D.A.R.E. and other safety programs requested by school officials, and interaction with the student body and parents. During inclement weather and school closings, S.R.O's are utilized on patrol within the communities of their school districts. At times this actually doubles the troop's patrol strength and has been extremely successful in situations of bad weather and local emergencies. Three troopers continue to be assigned as Community Resource Officers, working all three shifts. Troopers assigned to this position are utilized to combat and deal with specific issues that arise throughout the ten towns and along the limited access highways within Troop F's jurisdiction. .

Policing and community services are provided by 40 Patrol Troopers, 13 Resident Troopers, 5 School Resource Officers, 3 Community Resource Officers and 9 Sergeants. Troop operations are directed by a Lieutenant, who serves as the commanding officer, with the assistance of a Master Sergeant, who serves as the executive officer. The troop patrol operation is augmented by 31 town police officers, 6 auxiliary troopers and civilian support staff including dispatchers and clerical employees.



Troop F continues to lead the way with community policing programs. Six Troopers under the direction of Sgt. Martin Lane conducted 423 Child Safety Seat inspections during 2002. Of the 423 child seats inspected only 30 were installed correct. Child Safety seat inspections were conducted weekly at Troop F by appointment and on occasion Troop F sponsored a child safety seat clinic in one of the 17 troop towns. A Child Safety Seat Trailer was obtained through a federal grant by Sgt. Lane and utilized numerous times during these clinics. The utility trailer is labeled with the blue and gold state police colors and used to store and transport the equipment needed to conduct Child Safety Seat inspection at locations other than the troop. Troop F has been and still is recognized by the Connecticut Dept. of Transportation and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration as an official "fitting station" for child safety seats and is listed on the N.H.T.S.A. web site.

In the spring of 2002, Troop F hosted its fifth "Citizen's Police Academy", a program that invited over 25 citizens to attend a nine-week academy that covered various police related topics. Instruction covered the history of the Connecticut State Police and Troop F, DUI enforcement, motor vehicle accident investigations, major crime investigations, emergency services operations, and judicial matters. This was the fifth class sponsored by Troop F and continues to generate great interest and demand by the general public. Sergeant Tom Heinssen coordinated several State Police food and toy drives in the troop area during the 2002 holiday seasons. Active participation of troopers and the generosity of citizens within our communities lead to the success of these charitable events.



Troopers and Town Officers patrol the troop area in traditional and non-traditional law enforcement methods. Mountain bike patrols in town centers, shopping malls, and seasonally in the shoreline beach communities have proven to be a valuable resource in detecting and responding to police matters. In addition, troop personnel utilize unmarked vehicles and motorcycles for enforcement activities along the interstate. Troop F currently has four department K-9 handlers assigned to daily operations. This valuable resource is continuously called upon by both state and local law enforcement for criminal matters, missing persons, evidence recovery and public K-9 demonstrations.

All ten towns under Troop F's primary jurisdiction now apply for DOT Grants that supplement funding for equipment and additional manpower coverage. These grants cover 75% of the salary costs of personnel hired for additional DUI patrols and seat belt enforcement. As a result of these grants, extra patrols are provided in the ten towns during weekends of the peak summer months.

Current state, national and world issues have Troopers on high alert. Troop F has increased its patrol presence at specific locations throughout the troop area that pose a potential threat to the security of the state and nation. Increased patrols have occurred at the Middlefield Reservoirs, the Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Plant and the Baldwin Bridge on Interstate 95.

The Commanding Officer and the three Resident Trooper supervisors host bi-monthly First Selectman / Selectwoman meetings at the barracks to discuss local activities and needs affecting their communities. As a result of these meetings, several grants for increased patrol hours and equipment have been shared resulting in additional funding to support law enforcement functions.

The men and woman assigned to Troop F in Westbrook proudly serve south central Connecticut and are committed to providing professional police service to the citizens of Connecticut. During 2002, Troopers and Towns Officers at Troop F made 509 arrests for D.U.I., up from 417 in 2001.

#### **Towns Served:**

Branford	*Lyme
*Chester	Madison
Clinton	*Middlefield
*Deep River	Middletown
*Durham	North Branford
*Essex	*Old Lyme
Guilford	Old Saybrook
*Haddam	*Westbrook
	*Killingworth

#### **\* Resident Trooper Towns**

## **Troop H -- Hartford**



**Troop H Headquarters is located at 100R Washington Street in Hartford.**



**Lt. Lucien St.Germain  
Commanding Officer**

Troop "H" is located in central Connecticut and is one of the department's busiest Troops. Troop "H" patrols approximately 290 miles of limited access highway with more than 270,000 motor vehicles traversing Interstate 91 and Interstate 84 corridors every day. The Troop provides a full range of police services to East Granby through the Resident State Trooper Program. East Granby is approximately 17.6 square miles in area and has a population of 4,351. Troop "H" continues to have a Community Policing Program with designated school resource officers and community development officers.

Troop "H" averages 530 motor vehicle accident investigations, 90 criminal investigations and 1500 miscellaneous service calls every month. The Troop dispatch center receives more than 280,000 emergency 911 calls and 80,000 other routine calls each year.

Troop "H" Troopers are committed to removing intoxicated motorists from state highways, and for the year, 2002, made 515 arrests for Operating a Motor Vehicle while Under the Influence of Alcohol and/or Drugs.



Troop "H" has two full time and one part-time School Resource Officers. Full-time SRO's are assigned to A.I. Prince Regional High School in Hartford and to the E.C. Goodwin Regional Technical School in New Britain. A part-time SRO is assigned to Cheney Regional technical High School in Manchester. Tpr. Brown initiated a Police Explorer Post at Prince Tech and has 18 students participating.

TFC Jeremy Powell, part-time SRO Cheney Tech, initiated a wrestling program at Cheney Technical High School. This year's team finish 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the conference.

Troop "H" works in partnership with the State of Connecticut Department of Public Works Security Unit, on workplace violence issues. Troop "H" has patrol and investigative responsibilities for over 100 state offices, all Judicial facilities and for six Department of Correction facilities in the Hartford region. These offices and facilities employ over 15,000 state employees. Personnel from the Community Policing Unit participate in safety days, lecture and training sessions for these employees.

Troop "H" personnel are committed to community efforts in the greater Hartford region. The largest community effort that Troop "H" was involved in the year 2002 was this year's holiday season toy drive "Stuff a Cruiser". Troop "H" received over \$ 10,000 in toys and over \$ 4,000 in cash from the citizens. The toys and monies were distributed throughout the charity organizations throughout the Hartford region. Troop "H" personnel volunteered their time with the "SPLASH" (State Police Lend a Special Hand) program at the Connecticut Children's Medical Center (CCMC). This program includes the safety education programs, charity events and fundraisers for CCMC. Troop "H" personnel also participated in the following programs: Children's Miracle Telethon, Longest Drive Championship Event for the "Hole in the Wall Gang", Chariots of Hope Wheelchair Drive, Muscular Dystrophy Labor Day Telethon, Food share Drive with Shaw's Supermarkets, Thanksgiving "Turkey Drive" with WDRC radio station, "Stuff a Cruiser" toy Drive for CCMC, "Homesafe Firearms Safety Program and "Winter Coat Drive" by the East Granby Resident Trooper's Office.

On April 12, 2002, Troop "H" assisted the Hartford Police Department with "Operation Spring Cleaning". In the recent months of April, the city of Hartford had an increase in shooting incidents within the North District of Hartford. The shootings appeared to have stemmed from narcotics related activities. The Hartford Police Department requested the assistance of the State Police to conduct the operation targeting drug dealers, motor vehicle violators, as well as quality of life enforcement. The operation was quite extensive and involved the Hartford Police Department, Connecticut State Police, ATF, FBI, Office of the U.S. Attorney, U.S. Marshall's and the Office of Adult Probation. Several handguns along with narcotics were taken off the streets of Hartford.

On July 27, 2002, TFC Helen Harbut of Troop "H" responded to I-91 in the town of East Windsor for an elderly male who was in the initial stages of cardiac arrest. TFC Harbut arrived on the scene and performed CPR on the unconscious person. TFC Harbut continued her efforts until the arrival of medical personnel. Although the male later expired, TFC Harbut's unaided efforts at the scene gave him the best possible second chance at life.

On October 21, 2002, Tpr. John Tollis along with his K-9 "Diesel" assisted the Glastonbury Police Department with a missing/suicidal person. Tpr. Tollis and "Diesel" began a track of the person into a heavily wooded area. After a 45-minute track, Tpr. Tollis and "Diesel" located the person lying on the ground with severe self-inflicted wounds to the neck and wrists. The person was in critical condition and was lifted by Life Star to Hartford Hospital. Because of Tpr. Tollis and "Diesel's" actions, the person fully recovered.

On November 11, 2002, Troop "H" received a 911 call from a distraught female stating that she was going to kill herself by jumping off the Flounder's Bridge in Hartford. Tpr. Marc Petruzzi kept the female on the telephone and Tpr. Patrick Meehan was dispatched to the scene. As Tpr. Meehan arrived on the scene, he noticed the female sitting on the top railing of the bridge. The female told Tpr. Meehan to stay away or she would jump. Tpr. Petruzzi kept a dialog with the female and as the female became distracted on the telephone Tpr. Meehan grabbed the female off the bridge railing.

## **Troop I, Bethany**



**Troop I Headquarters is located at 631 Amity Road in Bethany.**



**Lt. Bruce Whitaker  
Commanding Officer**

Troop I is located in the Town of Bethany in the northern portion of New Haven County and is responsible for patrolling approximately 86 miles of limited access highway, including sections of Route 8, 15 and 40 and Interstate-91 and 691. The Troop's geographic area of responsibility encompasses 19 cities and towns. Of the 19, 13 have municipal police departments to which Troop I provide support services. The Troop has primary police responsibilities in the remaining three towns of Bethany, Beacon Falls and Prospect participate in the Resident Trooper Program.

In addition to the above cities and towns Troop I provides police services and investigations for the five Department of Corrections Centers and a Juvenile Detention Center, the five Superior Court facilities located in the Troop area of responsibility, four State Technical Schools and numerous other State facilities and State parks.

### **Troop I Statistical Summary - Year 2002**

Accident Investigations Conducted	3,050
Criminal Investigations Conducted	1,289
DWI Arrests Effected	491
Motor Vehicle Violation Summonses Issued	11,273

### **Year 2002 Events and Accomplishments**

In March, 2002, Troop I became Troop "Ireland" for the day and hosted its annual St. Patrick's Day luncheon. Over 200 guests, including, Colonel Barry, LTC Lynch joined other criminal justice, public safety and public sector officials for a traditional St. Patrick's Day lunch of corned beef and cabbage. The event has become an annual one, which many department members look forward to. Sergeant David Rice coordinated the event, with assistance from many Troop I personnel.



*Attendees at Troop I's Annual Saint Patrick's Day luncheon enjoy the food and live Irish music on hand for the event.*

During 2002, Troop I personnel were very active in enforcing the state's occupant protection laws and issued 2,634 summonses for seat safety belt / child safety seat violations. The Troop participated in each wave of the state's High Visibility Safety Seat and Child Safety Seat Enforcement Campaign. The Troop also conducted 3 Child Safety Seat installation inspections during the year. These inspections, conducted by specially trained Troopers certified as Child Safety Seat technicians, help to insure that child seats are installed properly within vehicles. Studies have shown that up to nine out of ten child seats in use today are installed improperly. The Troop also conducted car seat installations by appointment at the barracks.

Troop I personnel also volunteered for many other events throughout the year. In September, members of Troop I participated in the annual Big Y Food Drive at locations in Wallingford and Waterbury. This is a yearly event designed to replenish the food supply for Connecticut Food Banks.

In December, Troop I personnel took part in the annual toy drive at Walmart in Naugatuck, collecting over 700 toys for needy children in the Troop I area.

Kid Care clinics were conducted at several locations throughout the year. This event included the fingerprinting and photographing of many children and received media coverage at Troop I with the introduction of the new Connecticut State Police Emergency Child Information Packet. Over 200 packets were distributed to members of the Troop I community in a two day period. These packets were also distributed at Kid Care clinics by Troop I personnel at Shelton High School, Naugatuck Valley Community Technical College, Michael's Store in Milford and at Grandma's Place in Prospect. During this time, the introduction of the bicycle helmet program sponsored by the Connecticut State Police was also set in place. The resident troopers for the towns of Beacon Falls, Bethany and Prospect received approximately 100 helmets each and distributed them at community events.

The town of Prospect sponsored a Public Safety Day for the children of their community. Members of the Prospect Resident Trooper's Office as well as Troop I personnel were in attendance to give demonstrations. The State Police Helicopter also made an appearance at this event and the members of the Emergency Services Units allowed the children to see the inside of the helicopter and answered many questions regarding it's use.

Troop I personnel also provided a great deal of talks for the community with some of the topics including DWI, Forensic Science, The Radio System and talks to children about the police. In Beacon Falls, TFC Rosa and Sergeant Rice were judges at the annual Science Fair at the Laurel Ledge School. TFC Christensen and Sergeant Rice also conducted the 2<sup>nd</sup> Citizen's Police Academy at Troop I beginning in October, with 25 members from the Troop I community taking the classes. This 10 week course included lectures and demonstrations given by the Major Crime Unit, K9 Unit and Resident Trooper Program as well as Accident Reconstruction, DWI and Narcotic Enforcement. The class received outstanding reviews by all those in attendance and there are plans for another class beginning sometime in May of 2003.

TFC Abarzua received a Citizenship Award from the Boy Scouts of America for all of his work that he has done with his Police Explorers. TFC Abarzua also ran the annual Police Explores Camp in New London. This program is a two-week high intensity police academy atmosphere that the explorers are put through. TFC Abarzua also ran 3 bicycle classes for State and Local police, certifying them in bicycle patrol.

TFC Luis Rosa remained highly active in the Special Olympics during the year. TFC Rosa was one of the state coordinators for the torch run and raised a great deal of money by conducting 4 Tip-A Cop fundraisers. There were Tip-A-Cop fundraisers held at the Prospect Dairy Bar, The Bethany Diner as well as at Beacon Falls Pizza. Members of Troop I work waiting on tables and all proceeds were donated to the Special Olympics. TFC Rosa received accommodations from the World Special Olympics and was chosen to be the representative for the New England Region Coordinator of the Special Olympics and was sent to Hawaii for a seminar on the subject. Trooper Rosa was also selected to participate in the World Special Olympics Torch Run and to help coordinate this event. This event will take place in June of 2003 in Athens, Greece.

Members of the Troop I School Resource Officer Program (SRO's) also conducted numerous Career Fairs at their schools. These fairs were conducted at Woodland Regional High School in Beacon Falls, Eli Whitney Tech in Hamden and at Wilcox Tech in Meriden. Trooper Scott also received media attention for his work at Eli Whitney with the Job Shadow Program that he put together. In this program, Trooper Scott was a mentor for two students and Channel 8 News did a feature on Trooper Scott and the students entitled, "Making the Grade."

## **Troop W – Windsor Locks/Bradley International Airport**



**Troop W Headquarters is located at Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks.**



**Captain Danny Stebbins  
Commanding Officer**

Troop "W" provides a full range of police services for Bradley International Airport. In addition to enforcing criminal and motor vehicle laws, personnel conduct various investigations, provide security for the airport, and enforce T.S.A. security regulations. Troop "W" personnel receive specialized training in all aspects of airport security. Bradley International Airport is one of the fastest-growing airports in the nation. Last year, the airport attracted 6.83 million passengers. Bradley Airport had several large construction projects in 2002. Major construction was performed on the new Terminal A Improvement Project. The Department of Transportation has opened a new building for arriving international flights. The Department of Transportation has resurfaced a large portion of the ramp area, re-configured the access roads to the airport, and built a new maintenance facility.



Some of the programs that Troop "W" personnel continue to be involved in include the following:

- Bicycle Patrol Program
- Narcotics Detection Program
- Accident simulator training for airport employees
- Developed interagency protocol for Felony Extraditions
- Extensive use of Explosives Detection K-9's
- Aircraft Disaster Drill
- Counter –Surveillance Program
- Security Testing Program

Airport Security continues to be a high priority at the Bradley International Airport. There have been a number of changes including the addition of federal screeners under the Transportation Security Administration (TSA). Troop personnel work with the TSA and other federal enforcement agencies on a daily basis. Troopers are stationed at every screening checkpoint for added security and rapid response to any problems at the checkpoint. Due to heightened security alerts, Troop W personnel along with other state police personnel conducted vehicle searches at the entrance to the parking areas and parking garage adjacent to the airport. Troop W personnel search all vehicles entering the airport operations area according to federal guidelines. Troop W maintains a constant awareness in an ever changing security environment.

Cooperative policing continues to be conducted at the airport and the troop has developed an enhanced cooperative policing program for airport tenants. Troopers and Airport Police Officers have been assigned as troop liaison officers between Troop W and the airport tenants and businesses. They meet personally with business managers on a regular basis and help to identify and offer Cooperative Policing Programs that can benefit their businesses. Some of the community policing programs include the following:

- Business Safety
- Business Security Education
- Crime Prevention
- Drug Awareness
- Personal Safety
- General Policing Issues
- Fantasy Flights For Disabled Children
- Windsor Locks Lions Club 5 K Road Race
- Child Identification Registration Program
- Space and Aviation Day Benefit for the "Hole in the Wall Gang Camp" in Ashford.
- Special Olympics Airplane Pull
- Suspicious package recognition and business response education.

Troop personnel provide informational programs to educate the public and increase overall awareness pertaining to safeguarding family and friends while traveling. Troopers and Airport Police Officers are available to answer questions and are encouraged to talk with children during their shift. They often hand out "Junior Trooper" replica police badges to youngsters. With millions of passengers in attendance, Troop W personnel conduct more criminal and motor vehicle accident investigations. More than 400 F.A.A. security violations were documented and reported concerning more than 1,300 pieces of lost and found property were processed. Troop personnel are trained in the latest techniques involving interpersonal relations, and handle the day-to-day problems that occur.

Troop W troopers are routinely involved in protective detail operations for visiting dignitaries. During the year, personnel participated in many assignments including visits from current and former Presidents and vice presidents, various state governors, prime ministers, other dignitaries, and high profile individuals. All such visits require a coordinated operations plan to ensure the safeguarding of these individuals. The Connecticut State Police, are dedicated to providing the finest of police services to Bradley International Airport.



## **Western District Headquarters**



**Western District Headquarters is located at 452B Bantam Road in Litchfield.**



**Major Peter Warren  
Commanding Officer**

Western District personnel serve the communities located within the district boundaries. Sworn and civilian staff provide professional and courteous service to the citizens of Litchfield, Fairfield and New Haven counties. The efforts expended by personnel within our district greatly enhance the quality of life enjoyed by the citizens of Connecticut.

The Western District field command covers the western third of the state and is bordered by the State of New York on the west, and the State of Massachusetts to the north. The district has four troops: Troop G in Bridgeport, Troop A in Southbury, Troop L in Litchfield, and Troop B in North Canaan.

District headquarters is located next to the Litchfield barracks, and is staffed with three sworn personnel, and three civilian employees. The district has a compliment of 301 troopers, and 48 non-sworn employees.

The above components and members of the Western District work closely together as one cohesive unit. Each commander is keenly aware that they have access to all resources available within the Western District. Pooling of personnel and resources is strongly encouraged.



Troop A  
Southbury



Troop B  
North Canaan



Western District Headquarters



Troop G  
Bridgeport

Troop L  
Litchfield



**Captain Robert Duffy**  
**Executive Officer**

Innovative approaches are being undertaken to ensure proper utilization of personnel and resources. For example, each commander is tasked with identifying locations where statistics reveal high DWI and motor vehicle accident ratios. Upon identifying these locations, each commander initiates selective enforcement and directed enforcement patrol efforts, commanders report monthly on the progress in their identified areas.

At the direction of commissioner, the district has undertaken several highway enforcement initiatives along the I-84 and I-95 corridors, the intent of these projects was to identify and remove aggressive drivers from our highways, as well as promoting an increased visible uniform presence of personnel in communities with high accident rates.

District personnel in August coordinated the food share program. Working in conjunction with Shaw's Supermarket, personnel volunteered their time to collect food items for needy families throughout the state.

Civilian support staff efforts are well known throughout the agency, and play an integral role in the success of day-to-day operations. They are treated, as they should be, with respect and compassion as valued members of our staff.

During the past election year, the district assisted in coordinating security details for the President and Vice President of the United States and numerous foreign Heads of States traveling through Connecticut. The present success of the district directly correlates with the professional performance and devotion to duty by each and every district member, both civilian and sworn. The command staff takes an extreme amount of pride in serving with them and for them, for they are the foundation that provides the overall success of the Western District.

### **WESTERN DISTRICT TRAFFIC SQUAD**

The Western District Traffic Squad enforces traffic laws including commercial vehicle size & weight laws, and operates the Greenwich and Danbury weigh station scales. The traffic squad performs various special assignments as directed by the district commander. The traffic unit coordinates special enforcement efforts with troops and municipal law enforcement agencies within the district, and has accident reconstruction responsibilities.

The Traffic Unit is staffed with two sergeants, 17 troopers, and five civilian weight and safety inspectors, and two-office assistants. Troopers assigned to the traffic unit are divided into three truck enforcement teams and two traffic enforcement teams.

During the past year the traffic unit was called upon to provide dignitary escorts for the President and Vice President of the United States. In addition, the unit has also assisted the U.S. State Department, U.S. Capitol Police, and the U.S. Secret Service by providing security and motorcade escorts to foreign heads of state and other government leaders while traveling in Connecticut.

The Western District Traffic Unit has assisted troops and local police agencies with numerous serious injury and fatal accidents involving both commercial motor vehicles and passenger vehicles, performing commercial vehicle inspections, and accident reconstruction duties.

Troopers assigned to the traffic unit receive specialized training in commercial vehicles and are certified by the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance, (CVSA), as motor carrier inspectors. In addition, truck enforcement team members are additionally trained in roadside hazardous vehicle inspections, bulk cargo tank inspections, and motor coach inspections.



In 2002 the traffic unit weighed 277,440 commercial vehicles, performing 1625 MCSAP, (Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Programs) inspections. As a result of these inspections, 1,845 vehicles were placed out of service for mechanical defects, and 706 drivers were placed out of service for hours of service violations, as well as driver qualification violations.

Traffic enforcement team members during the year 2002, issued 21,363 infraction tickets for a variety of hazardous moving violations and equipment violations throughout the district.

### **Western District Major Crime Squad**

The primary responsibility of the WDMCS is to conduct all major investigations that occur in the district and to identify, collect, and preserve items with evidentiary value.

WDMCS assists troops and local police departments with cases by providing technical assistance. WDMCS personnel respond, upon request, to assist local police departments within the district with crime scene processing expertise. WDMCS routinely works in conjunction with state and federal law enforcement agencies.

WDMCS is comprised of four criminal investigative units, one at each troop within the district, as well as a crime scene van unit located at district headquarters. The squad is staffed by a lieutenant, five sergeants and sixteen detectives.

The four criminal investigative units from WDMCS investigated 179 cases this year. Crime scene van investigators processed 53 scenes, 26 of which were assists cases for local police departments.

On October 15, 2002, WDMCS personnel solved a five year old homicide of MaryAnn Measles (13 yr.old).

A total of eight individuals were arrested for Capital Felony Murder.

Cases investigated included murders, armed robberies, larcenies, burglaries, fraud, sexual assaults, car-jacking and shootings. In addition, members of this unit work in cooperation with state and federal law enforcement agencies.

In an effort to enhance the departments community policing initiatives, WDMCS conducted numerous lectures and demonstrations. Lectures were conducted at several Citizen Police Academies, regional bank seminars, and area schools, covering topics dealing with WDMCS areas of responsibility.





A Web Site developed in 2001 for unsolved homicides and other investigations continues to generate responses on a regular basis. The site can be accessed at [www.state.ct.us/dps](http://www.state.ct.us/dps). Click on CSP Needs Your Help, then Western District Major Crime Squad.

### **Troop A – Southbury**



**Troop A Headquarters is located at 90 Lakeside Road in Southbury.**



**Lt. Warren Hyatt  
Commanding Officer**

Troop-A is located between Waterbury and Danbury off exit 14 of Interstate 84. The personnel at Troop A proudly protect and serve the 15 cities and towns located within the troop area of responsibility. Southbury, Bridgewater, Oxford, Roxbury, Sherman, and New Fairfield are towns currently in the Resident Trooper Program.

Southbury Resident State Trooper Clayton Brown is the lead advisor and founder of the Southbury Police Explorer Post #130. Trooper Brown and his post have provided public assistance in many areas for functions in the town of Southbury. Southbury Resident State Trooper Christopher Ganzer implemented the Child Safety Awareness Program along with a Safety Program for the elderly in the town. Together the troopers held two seminars in August titled "Keeping your Children Safe". Troopers Ganzer and Brown conducted many other programs including:

- ☐ Babysitting Safety Courses
- ☐ Parents Guide to Internet Safety
- ☐ Amber Alert Program



- ☐ Gun Safety Program
- ☐ Responding to School Violence
- ☐ Neighborhood Watch Program
- ☐ Watch Your Car Program

Resident State Troopers Kevin Rafferty (Bridgewater) and Christopher Vasisko (Roxbury) teamed together to host many community activities for the residents and children of there towns such as;

- ☐ Bridgewater Bicycle Rodeo
- ☐ Play It Safe On-Line
- ☐ Car Seat Clinic
- ☐ Child Abduction Prevention Day
- ☐ I.D. A Kid
- ☐ D.A.R.E.

Lt. Hourigan and Msgt. Begert take great pride in their troopers and the work they accomplish in the communities that they serve. Trooper Bernie O'Donnel organized a 3K run to support the Connecticut Special Olympics and approximately 25 troopers participated in this run. Lt. Hourigan was a driving force behind a Thanksgiving dinner and Christmas party for the Troop A family. Msgt. Begert was determined to turn the Troop A garage into a winter wonderland for the children of our Troopers and Trooper Rich Connors played a very realistic Santa Claus. Troop A also headed Operation Team Spirit to raise toys for the needy children of Connecticut. Sgt. Ronald Nihill, Trooper's Keith Buinauskas, Anthony Cipriano, Joseph Russo and Kevin Rafferty actively participate in the Child Safety Restraint Program along with the I.D. A Kid on a regular basis here at Troop A.

The Southbury Training School, a state run facility for adults with mental challenges, is also in the Troop A jurisdiction. Trooper Joseph Salmeri has been the State Police representative to the school for the last year. He conducts investigations that are of a criminal nature, puts on many seminars about safety and security measures for clients and staff and works diligently to foster a relationship of understanding and trust between the clients at the school, the State Police, and the people of the Southbury community.

Tfc. Karen Nixon and Tpr. Rich McDaniel are School Resource Officers at Henry Abbott Technical School located in Danbury and at Kaynor Technical School in Waterbury respectively. Both Troopers have developed emergency evacuation plans, mentoring/peer mediation programs for students and a student law enforcement class. Troopers Nixon and McDaniel are excellent role models for the students they serve and have done an excellent job of interacting with the school communities and gaining the trust of student and staff alike. Trooper McDaniel organized a charity basketball game to benefit the North End Middle School. This event raised \$1,200 for a local school show choir.

Troopers at Troop A responded with professionalism to demands on I-84 as traffic and highway construction increased and caused numerous traffic jams and accidents. Troopers have been and continue to be vigilant in this age of high-terrorism alerts. The troopers of Troop A conducted themselves as hard working, adaptable, and prepared individuals who will continue to distinguish themselves in the future.

## **Troop B – North Canaan**



**Troop B Headquarters is located at 463 Ashley Falls Road in North Canaan.**



**Lt. Christopher Arciero  
Commanding Officer**

Troop B is located in North Canaan in the northwest corner of the state. Troop B proudly and honorably serves an extensive area of the state that consists of 13 towns, of which 11 rely solely upon the troop as their primary law enforcement agency. There are currently five towns in the troop's jurisdiction that maintain established Resident State Trooper programs: Barkhamsted, New Hartford, Norfolk, North Canaan, and Salisbury. Troop B is comprised primarily of rural towns with a diversified socio-economic base. The population of the troop area fluctuates considerably given the numerous seasonal tourist attractions, cultural events, area fairs, and recreational and sporting venues.

Troop B continues to epitomize the standard for community policing. The troop personnel are actively involved in the resident trooper program, police explorer post, community service and school resource officer programs. Troop B patrols the two major highways for all motor vehicle traffic accessing New York and Massachusetts from the northwest corner of the state. Although geographically located in the remote corner of the state, Troop B personnel maintain a unity of

purpose and camaraderie that exudes a strong bond of teamwork and commitment to the community.

Troop B represents the department's objectives to ensure a proper balance between community policing and the establishment and execution of selective traffic enforcement programs to ensure compliance with state laws. The troop has participated in the following programs as an integral part of the troop's obligation to the public safety service needs of the community:

- Citizen Police Academy
- Community Business Partners in Education
- Explorer Post Academy
- Halloween Haunted House
- Breakfast with Santa
- Holiday Toy Drive
- Easter Egg Hunt
- D.A.R.E
- Governor's Child Safety Program
- Kid Care Identification Program
- Tip-A-Cop
- School Zone Enforcement
- Click It or Ticket Campaign
- Watch your Car Program
- Career Development Seminars
- Read Aloud in School Program
- Stranger Danger
- Child Seat Safety Clinics
- VIN Etching Program
- Smallpox Vaccination Regional Planning

One of the most significant events that occurred at the troop over the last year was the Troop B Work Day where an overwhelming number of troop and explorer personnel, their family members, and citizens and businesses in the community volunteered their time, energy, and efforts to participate in the beautification of the troop's building and grounds. The event was characteristic of the troop's esprit de corps. The event culminated with a sign raising ceremony. This beautiful newly constructed sign displaying the troop's name and shield now sits prominently on the front yard of the troop as a beacon of strength and security.



Troop B hosted a very poignant ceremony to honor a fallen trooper who had given the ultimate sacrifice. In 1941, Trooper Charles Hill was killed in a motor vehicle accident as he was rendering assistance at a scene. A portion of State Highway Route 44 now prominently displays a memorial sign in honor of his commitment to serving the citizens of the state.

The troop has also had its share of noteworthy events that underscore the varied nature of law enforcement matters that confront the troop on a given day.

TPR. Dale Smith investigated the tragic fatal accident on Route 8 in Torrington where a 16 yr-old girl was killed by a wrong-way driver who had been operating his vehicle under the influence of alcohol. The operator was charged with various crimes including the charges of Manslaughter, Reckless Endangerment and DWI.

Tpr. Roy and Tpr Luba conducted a "routine" motor vehicle stop that led to the discovery of 180 packets of heroin.

TPR. Makuc solved a significant burglary and larceny at Mohawk Ski Mountain in Cornwall. His investigative efforts and coordinated response with several area local and state police departments led to the recovery of approximately \$30,000 worth of equipment, ATVs, tools, and the arrest of three suspects. Tpr. Makuc's efforts also resulted in the development of other leads and suspects to other crimes.

TFC. Bement investigated a tragic fatal accident involving teenage drinking. His investigative efforts expanded into secondary matters involving possession of alcohol by minors and providing alcohol to minors. The timing of the investigation and arrests coincided with the end of the school term. TFC. Bement's efforts heightened the awareness of all teenagers in the troop area concerning the harmful aspects of underage drinking.

Tpr. Luba was involved in a spectacular pursuit of a stolen box truck. The truck had been stolen in Southington, was involved in several evading accidents in Waterbury, Torrington, and Winsted. Stop Sticks were deployed at several locations. The pursuit lasted approximately 38 miles and traveled through numerous towns in the northwest Connecticut Hills. Tpr. Luba and other responding troopers arrested the suspect on numerous felony charges. The suspect was subject to several outstanding warrants and was on probation. Tpr. Luba and the assisting troopers displayed extraordinary skill in the manner they conducted themselves during this pursuit.

Troopers Dan Janco, Kenneth Dillon, Steve Luba and New Hartford Constable Dave Helt executed a search warrant in New Hartford at the house of a convicted felon and drug dealer. The search netted drugs and weapons. In addition, stolen purses, identifications and checkbooks were located in the house. These items were deemed evidence from a large-scale theft operation involving the suspect and led to the solving of several crimes that had occurred in neighboring towns.

Personnel at Troop B distinguished themselves during a visit by President George W. Bush's daughter's one-week hiking excursion last fall. Troop B coordinated the security detail with the United States Secret Service Department to ensure the safety and protection of the President's daughter.

During the year, Troop B troopers continued an aggressive strategy towards DWI /narcotic enforcement. Troop B personnel also received noteworthy praise as they were a top producing law enforcement agency in the nationwide campaign to enforce seatbelt laws in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Transportation and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Troop personnel also actively participated in selective traffic enforcement projects such as, Operation Big Orange and WAVE.

The Troop continued to assess and monitor the key infrastructures in the troop area to ensure the coordinated response to homeland security. Troop B covers the reservoir system that provides drinking water for the Hartford County. Troop B personnel maintained a liaison with the Metropolitan District Commission to ensure the safety of the state's water system.

### **Troop L – Litchfield**



**Troop L Headquarters is located at 452A Bantam Road in Litchfield.**



**Lt. Peter Wack  
Commanding Officer**

Troop L is located in the northwest hills of western Connecticut. Troop B borders the troop to the north, Troop A to the south and New York State to the west and to the east by the towns of Canton, Burlington and Bristol. The troop area consists of 14 towns and municipalities encompassing parts of Litchfield and Hartford Counties. Of these towns, nine are served directly by the State Police and locally organized police departments serve five. The nature of the area lends itself to a unique type of community policing which encompasses urban and rural law enforcement issues as well as those concerns that are related to growing suburban communities. Within those towns served by state police, seven contract for services from one or more resident state troopers. The area has a population of 151,200 persons and covers 427.4 square miles. There are 15.8 miles of limited access highway and 1273.4 miles of secondary roads.



Troop L uses the Resident State Trooper Program to its full potential. Within those towns served by Troop L, seven contract for the services of one or more Resident Troopers. Of those seven towns, six towns have a contingency of between two and ten police officers for which the Resident Troopers directly supervise and liaison with the first selectman of their respective town and the troop. Resident Troopers are trained as D.A.R.E. officers and are directly involved in a variety of community programs. Current programs include:

- Project Kid Care
- Neighborhood Watch
- Senior Citizen Programs
- Children Safety Programs
- D.A.R.E.
- Bicycle Safety
- Project Graduation
- Business Safety Seminars
- Crime Prevention
- D.W.I. Awareness for young drivers – including a mock fatal accident
- Citizen Police Academy
- Police Explorer Post
- Community Service Officer Program
- School Resource Officer Program
- Child Safety Seat Inspection Program
- Western Regional Child Safety Seat Inspection Program
- Stop Underage Drinking Initiative
- Accident Reduction Program
- Burglary Reduction Program
- Watch Your Car Program

During the summer and fall, many towns host a variety of special events that attract thousands of tourists to the area. These events result in a high volume of traffic on many rural roads that lack traffic control devices. To ensure the safety of the public, troopers and town police officers meet with town leaders and other organizers to formulate plans to reduce potential hazards that include traffic safety. Special events have included the International Jazz Festival, the internationally known Litchfield Hills Road Race, the Bethlehem and Harwinton Agricultural Fairs, along with numerous other town fairs.

Due to its proximity to routes that lead to major east coast cities, Troop L has developed an aggressive narcotic interdiction and drug awareness program to detect and apprehend drug violators, who are trafficking illegal narcotics throughout the area. This effort has resulted in a high number of drug arrest and narcotic seizures.

Troop L has also taken a stance on DWI violators throughout the northwest corner, and as such has conducted numerous sobriety checkpoints within resident trooper towns, as well as with combined efforts of neighboring towns that has resulted in an increased number of DWI arrests.

Several accomplishments of note accentuate the work done by personnel at Troop L. They include:

- Team Spirit Toy Drive
- Thanksgiving Turkey and Food Drive
- Special Olympics Truck Pull
- Troop L received Fastest Pull Award and Lowest Combined Weight Pull Award



- Numerous Departmental and Public Awards for troopers assigned to this command.
- State Employees Charitable Giving Campaign



*Sgt. David Wagner & Family at the CSEC Pasta Dinner*



*Trooper Sordi and Mrs. Hufcut and their families*



Major Cheryl Malloy, Sgt. Greg Kenney & Dispatcher Judy Thulin serving at the CSEC Pasta Dinner

The Explorer Post Program has been instrumental in the effectiveness of many programs that have been conducted by Troop L throughout the year. The group of youths that comprise the Explorer Post 074, are only two years in infancy and in that time the contributions they've made to the community have been tremendous. The Post meets every week with their two advisors, TFC Buthe and TFC Bland. During their meetings they receive training exercises, developed by their advisors, which are specific to the duties of law enforcement officers, with a strong emphasis on community service, cooperative problem solving, and the esprit de corps when working as a team. The dedication that has been exhibited by the two advisors and the youths themselves has been inspirational. Their efforts have been recognized with the Post receiving the following awards this year:

- Explorer Post of the Year
- Highest Academic Achievement by one of the students who participated in the Explorer Post Academy
- Youth Counselor of the Year – TFC Buthe
- Advisor of the Year – TFC Bland



*Explorer Post 074 Receives*  
Explorer Post Award of the Year

Troop L personnel, and the community for which it serves, are lauded for their efforts in the Statewide Charitable Giving Campaign. Troop personnel and the community worked cooperatively to organize many events in the effort to raise funds for the following charities: The Heart Association, Cancer Society, Make-A-Wish Foundation, and the Jimmy Fund. The community was overwhelmingly generous in the donations they provided, as well as in the support they displayed through their attendance at each function.

**Troop G – Bridgeport**



**Troop G Headquarters is located at 149 Prospect Street in Bridgeport.**



**Lt. Brian Meraviglia  
Commanding Officer**



Troop G is located in Bridgeport at the junction of Interstate 95 and the Route 25 and Route 8 connectors. Troop G is primarily responsible for the patrol of Interstate I-95, which is also known as the

“Gateway to New England.” Troop G’s area of responsibility is only 12 miles from Metropolitan New York City. The troop encompasses one of the most ethnically and economically diverse populations in the country. Troop G serves four of the largest cities in the state and several of the most affluent towns in the entire nation, all of which are located in the center of one of the busiest transportation corridors in the United States. Troop G covers over 140 miles of limited access highway and serves a population of one million. All factors considered, to be stationed at Troop G is one of the most interesting and demanding assignments in the department.

Troop G has the distinction of being the busiest “911” communications dispatch center in the state with more than 1,500 incoming calls a day or 470,000 calls a year. In addition to emergency calls, the troop handles over 80,000 administrative and routine calls annually.

It is important to note that Troop G shares space within their facility with the Connecticut Department of Transportation working together to operate the most comprehensive and up-to-date incident management communications network in the northeast. There is a bank of television screens that monitor 91 cameras positioned on I-95 from Greenwich to Branford.



With the implementation of the newly developed Cooperative Policing Unit, Troop G has expanded its focus by providing the necessary attention to the many diversified areas within our area of responsibility.

Currently within the unit, there are three School Resource Officers (SRO's) that are responsible for two state high schools. Two are assigned to Bullard Havens Technical School in Bridgeport, the largest such school in the state, and the other one is assigned to J.M. Wright Technical School in Stamford. The SRO's in these facilities serve as the liaison between the state police, the students and faculty. They give classroom lectures and serve on administrative review boards. They act as mentors and roll models for the students.



Additionally assigned are Community Resource Officers and Community Safety Officers whose duties range from participating in various community events, fundraising activities and educational lectures. These speaking engagements are held at local schools, civic organization meetings and businesses, using resources such as the Rollover Simulator, Seat Belt Convincer Machine, power point presentations and the Troop G assigned K-9 Troopers.

Further areas of concentration deal with the increasing need to implement Problem Oriented Policing methods. This methodology reduces everyday problems and concerns by focusing on issues such as aggressive driving, speeding, and high accident incidence areas.

Despite the highest overall number of incidents recorded in the state, troop personnel have repeatedly volunteered their time to participate in a large variety of community events. These events range from reading to kindergartners on Dr. Suess' Birthday to walking 8 miles at Jennings Beach in Fairfield supporting the March of Dimes. In addition, Swim Across the Sound, Connecticut Food drives, high school and college job shadowing are other worthy activities and events that Troop G participates in on a yearly basis.

Christmas 2002 at Troop G was one our best times. As one of the principal sponsors of the Holiday Fund for Children, troopers joined forces with the City of Bridgeport, American Medical Response Ambulance Services, Inc., WICC Radio, NEWS 12 Connecticut TV, and the Connecticut Post newspaper, to provide Christmas gifts to less advantaged children in southwestern Connecticut. Troopers teamed up with the local police departments to set up toy drop off points. Members of the Bridgeport, Easton, Fairfield, Monroe, Stratford, Trumbull, and Westport police departments all participated in, and contributed to, this effort.

Throughout the entire month of December, Troop G collected thousands of Toys for distribution to children in both Fairfield and New Haven Counties. On December 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>, Troop G went all out for "Operation Team Spirit" and collected toys not only at the Bridgeport Barracks, but also positioned volunteer troopers at five local toy stores to help the public "stuff the cruiser" with much needed toys. The entire holiday season culminated on Christmas Eve when troopers set out to deliver toys to the various housing projects in the city of Bridgeport. One of our favorite parts of the toy drive is the convoy of Corvettes stuffed with children's toys. The Connecticut Corvette Club fills their cars with toys and convoy to Troop 'G' every year.



*The Club Corvette CT supports Troop G's Toy Drive for area children*

This past year has been very exciting and rewarding. The enthusiasm of our troopers is apparent in our everyday relationship with others. Media relations are positive and being maintained at a high level of cooperation never before shared between the news media and law enforcement. Troop G also enjoys an outstanding relationship with the local police and fire departments in the lower Fairfield and New Haven counties, which is extremely valuable during major incidents and community activities.

One of the exciting things about working at Troop G is watching how personnel use every available resource as well as common sense to get a job done. One example of this is displayed in the following incident

On 10/28/02 at approximately 1918 hrs. DISPATCHER DANIEL RUIZ of Troop G received a 911 call from an unknown female who asked if a human body would cause a commuter train to derail. After DISPATCHER DANIEL RUIZ inquired if she intended to step in front of a train, the cellular call became disconnected. Acting quickly, DISPATCHER DANIEL RUIZ was able to obtain a callback number as well as determine the cell tower used. DISPATCHER DANIEL RUIZ then advised the desk trooper, who in turn notified the Greenwich Police Department and the Metro Transit Authority. DISPATCHER DANIEL RUIZ then re-established contact with the caller, and after conversing for approximately 30 minutes, was able to obtain her name, age, and hometown. DISPATCHER DANIEL RUIZ also learned her location and was then able to guide police to her. More importantly, DISPATCHER DANIEL RUIZ was able to keep her occupied and distracted, certainly preventing her from more drastic actions. After locating her, Greenwich Police were able to assess her condition and commit her to the Greenwich Hospital due to her suicidal actions.

## **Bureau of Criminal Investigations**



**Major Frank Griffin  
Commanding Officer**



**The Bureau of Criminal Investigations Headquarters is located at 294 Colony Street in Meriden.**

This bureau (Bureau of Criminal Investigations) evolved from the Special Investigations Section in 1975 to the Bureau of Special Investigations in 1984 and finally to Bureau of Criminal Investigations in 1991. There were approximately 70 sworn personnel at its inception, which has now grown to a complement of approximately 150 troopers and 70 civilian support staff.

The Bureau of Criminal Investigations primarily performs specialized criminal investigations and reports to the Office of Field Operations Commander. The bureau includes the following commands and functions: Statewide Narcotics Task Force (SNTF); Statewide Organized Crime Investigative Task Force (SOCITF); Connecticut Regional Auto Theft Task Force (CRATTF); Central Criminal Intelligence Unit (CCIU) to include the Fugitive Section; the Casino Unit; Statewide Cooperative Crime Control Task Force (SCCCTF); the Statewide Firearms Trafficking Task Force (SFTTF); and the Extradition Unit.

## BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

Meriden



Statewide Narcotics Task Force  
Statewide Cooperative Crime Control  
Central Criminal Intelligence Unit  
Casino Licensing and Operations Unit

Statewide Organized Crime Task Force

Meriden



Regional Auto Theft Unit

Meriden



### Statewide Narcotics Task Force



**Captain Peter Terenzi**  
**Commanding Officer**

The Statewide Narcotics Task Force (SNTF) serves to enforce the Connecticut state statutes that restrict the illegal sales, distribution, possession, transporting of, and use of illegal drugs within our state. The SNTF was created in 1977 and just recently completed its twenty-fifth Anniversary of serving the citizens of Connecticut.

SNTF investigations are conducted by both state troopers and local police officers who are assigned to the task force. Task force operations serve to disrupt the flow and distribution of illegal narcotics into and across Connecticut. Many SNTF investigations also include those that involve the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Customs, and other law enforcement agencies across Connecticut. SNTF continues to be a successful operation due to the dedication of our troopers, local police officers, and federal agents who work closely together.



SNTF investigations involve all aspects of the illegal drug trade. Our investigations range from small possession investigations to those complex and sophisticated investigations that involve illegal drug distribution networks that may be based out of state and who distribute their illegal narcotics across our state.

SNTF continues to participate in the National High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program, a program that has caused SNTF to concentrate a portion of our efforts to those areas of Connecticut that have been identified as high drug trafficking areas. SNTF has recently completed its third year in the HIDTA program. Our HIDTA statistics are among the most productive for all of New England. This is a sign of the dedicated and talented members of SNTF.

SNTF continues to also focus our efforts in two other areas besides our enforcement and investigative efforts. Those areas are the Public Education area and our Marijuana Eradication Program.

We continue to support the need for enforcement, treatment and education as the means available to us to address the complex drug issues we face in this country. SNTF personnel have conducted many public speaking presentations across Connecticut this past year. Our talks, given to children, parents, educators, coaches, civic groups, and others, all have been aimed at getting the anti-drug message to our citizens. We encourage you to contact SNTF if we can give a similar presentation to your community, or to civic groups you participate in.

The Domestic Cannabis Eradication & Suppression Program continues to be an SNTF priority. A successful eradication program requires the coordination and cooperation of many law enforcement agencies. These agencies include state and local police departments, the Connecticut Army National Guard, the Civil Air Patrol, and the Drug Enforcement Administration. The eradication grant used last year enabled SNTF to purchase geographical computer software, send participating personnel to formal training courses, purchase equipment, and pay for personnel overtime. The eradication efforts in 2002 were successful as we supported investigations in this area being conducted by local police departments, state police field troops and by SNTF.

These accomplishments result from effective and efficient interaction by members of SNTF with other law enforcement agencies in Connecticut.

During CY/2002 SNTF personnel generated the following statistical information:

Investigations conducted	2,756
Arrests	1,086
Search Warrants executed	535
Arrest Warrants executed	369
Cash seized	\$752,179.00
Vehicles seized	49

The estimated street value of narcotics seized is \$19,189,365.00.

I look forward to SNTF continuing to work with the law enforcement community to make Connecticut a safer place to live.





## **Statewide Organized Crime Investigative Task Force**

**Sgt. John Culpin**  
**Acting Commanding Officer**

The Statewide Organized Crime Investigative Task Force (SOCITF) investigates organized crime and racketeering, including illegal gambling, extortion, public corruption and prostitution. The unit works closely with agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigations Unit on matters of mutual concern. The result has been successful criminal investigations as well as an opportunity for Troopers and Agents to learn from each other. In addition, SOCITF works closely with the Department of Consumer Protection's Liquor Control Agents and the Division of Special Revenue in gambling device investigations.

Illegal gambling has always been a primary investigative target of the unit. Regardless of legalized gambling opportunities, illegal sports and numbers betting operations persist as lucrative businesses. SOCITF continues to investigate and charge those responsible with violating the Corrupt Organization and Racketeering Act. Organized crime families have always considered bookmaking operations as a productive means to funnel unlawfully collected debts into other criminal activities or profits. The penalties for convictions of the CORA statutes have had a chilling effect on several large scale bookmaking operations.

During the past year, SOCITF personnel have provided instruction and written material to 8 classes of police recruits on organized crime, illegal gambling, gambling devices and carnival fraud. SOCITF Detectives assisted the Meriden Police Department with an undercover investigation involving live sex shows at a local establishment, making six arrests and closing down the business for good.

Other investigations conducted by SOCITF in the past year included the seizure of 3,694 cartons of untaxed cigarettes, a van and \$100,000 in assets, the seizure of 19 illegal gambling devices and 8 associated arrests, an investigation and arrest for commercial bribery, 5 arrests on prostitution related charges in connection with two escort services and 6 arrests for CORA and professional gambling as a result of a Court ordered wiretap on a sports wagering operation.

## Statewide Cooperative Crime Control Task Force



**Lt. Thomas Garbedian  
Commanding Officer**

The Statewide Cooperative Crime Control Task Force addresses the problem of urban crime. The task force is an important part of a coordinated state and municipal program to drive crime out of neighborhoods and to keep it out. SCCCTF is based on the premise that law enforcement, human services, community services and the private sector must work together to create an environment where crime cannot thrive. Requests for community assistance ranged from gang seminars to homicides weapons violations, stolen motor vehicles, narcotics violations, assaults, burglaries and various other crimes.

SCCCTF presently maintains field offices in three major cities, working with local police departments and other municipal agencies. These offices target areas of high crime and street gang activity within each city at the request of the local police chief. SCCCTF also responded to requests for assistance from other local and state agencies based on their individual needs and problems.

SCCCTF is also responsible for investigating motorcycle gang activity and white supremacy groups throughout Connecticut. There has been a recent increase in activity regarding both of these areas.

The major goal of the SCCCTF is the investigation and prevention of illicit gang activities and its related violent youth crimes. Participants act as a team to instill a positive impact on gang activities and related crimes. The SCCCTF attempts to assist municipalities in coordination community systems and implementing specific improvement plans and activities in order to support an enhanced law enforcement plan within a specific, highly focused target area.

During the year 2002, SCCCTF arrested 699 individuals, executed 28 search warrants, 115 arrest warrants, and seized 19 weapons, one vehicle, 1896.71 grams of crack, 132.07 grams of cocaine, 8938.7 grams of heroin, 2161.73 grams of marijuana, 1275.75 grams of PCP, 1050 pills of ecstasy, 14 grams of mushroom narcotic and 2 cans of nitrous oxide.



## **Connecticut Regional Auto Theft Task Force**



**Lt. Thomas Lumb  
Commanding Officer**

The Connecticut Regional Auto Theft Task Force (CRATTF) is a statewide cooperative response intended to suppress the problem of motor vehicle theft and its related crimes. The Auto theft Task Force actively pursues investigation relating to “Chop Shops” and insurance fraud schemes, which affects all citizens in the State of Connecticut. The Auto Theft Task Force was established after auto theft increased for seven consecutive years.

The Auto Theft Task Force maintains regional field offices in those areas of the state where auto theft is the most prevalent: Hartford, Bridgeport, and New Haven, with an administrative office in Meriden. Each field office is staffed with a State Police Sergeant, one Trooper and Municipal Police Officers. The Auto Theft Task Force is responsible for the management of the Department of Public Safety Impound Lot in Seymour, as well as the “Watch Your Car” Program administered with a \$240,000.00 Federal Grant.

The Auto Theft Task Force works cooperatively with all Federal, State and Local law enforcement agencies within Connecticut, throughout the United States and internationally. In addition, the Auto Theft task Force works jointly with the insurance industry and initiates training throughout the state.

The Connecticut Regional Auto Theft Task Force was initiated July 1995 and its activities are mandated by Connecticut General Statute 14-211a.

The Unit operating expenses for Fiscal Year 2001/2002 encompasses personal services and other expenses totaling \$

The Auto Theft Task Force seized the following property during fiscal year 2001/2002: three hundred and fifty-four (354) motor vehicles and pieces of construction equipment valued at \$3,416,207.00. The Task Force conducted five hundred and sixty-two (562) investigations resulting in two hundred and seventy (270) arrests, thirty-two (32) search warrants and one hundred and fifteen (115) arrests.

ATU notable's cases for 2002 were: On September 26, 2002 the Connecticut Regional Auto Theft Task Force in conjunction with Hartford Police Department in a proactive effect combined manpower and resources to combat a recent increase in auto theft in the city of Hartford. Fourteen, two man teams saturated the north end of the city of Hartford, CT. The Task Force concentrated on areas where a high number of stolen vehicles have been stolen and recovered. The objective was to locate and recover stolen motor vehicles and enforce other motor vehicle related violations. The total value of the five recovered stolen vehicles was approximately \$53,400 and a total of four in custody arrests were made. Additionally eleven misdemeanor summonses were issued relating to MV violations.

An extensive investigation was conducted involving two subjects from Meriden. The investigation involved multiple larcenies of motor vehicles where fraudulent/stolen identities were involved. The investigation found that the two subjects were responsible for larcenies totaling over \$160,000.00. This was for the purchase of four motor vehicles, one motorcycle and \$40,000.00 in personal loads. Through the investigation, it was determined that the primary suspect had assumed the identity of a deceased person from New York and had obtained multiple bank loans and vehicle loans used to purchase vehicles. The investigation was initiated after a complaint from a New Haven Auto Dealer who had been victimized by the suspects. After the execution of a search warrant at a residence in Meriden, the primary suspect was identified as a top ten fugitive from Massachusetts. He was arrested and the paperwork follow-up continued. When the investigation was completed, arrest warrants were obtained for the two suspects for a total of 48 Felony charges and 16 Misdemeanor charges. The primary suspect is being returned to Connecticut from Massachusetts where he had been extradited following the CRATTF arrest. The second suspect is a fugitive who is actively being sought.

ATU, New Haven office, initiated and finalized an international investigation involving individuals from the eastern block countries of Europe. The individuals were involved with stolen/cloned vehicles from Canada that are being brought in the United States. The investigation was a cooperative effort involving law enforcement from Canada and Chicago, Illinois. The investigation involved obtaining the title histories and backgrounds of hundreds of individual vehicles. The conclusion of this investigation involved the arrest of seven individuals and nineteen luxury vehicles were seized with an estimated value of over \$1,000,000.00.

During the months of February, March and April the CRATTF-Hartford office conducted a long term investigation involving a suspected chop shop operation within the city of Hartford. The investigation concluded on 04-11-02., when a member of the CRATTF-Hartford office observed during a surveillance a stripped vehicle later identified as stolen. The vehicle was being forced into the roadway by another vehicle. Further investigation led to the issuance of a search and seizure warrant. The search warrant resulted in the recovery of four stolen vehicles and two stolen motorcycles and major components parts, approximate value of vehicles totaled more than \$40,000. The conclusion of the investigation resulted in the arrest of five individuals for operating a chop shop, larceny first and other related charges.

## Casino Licensing and Operations Unit



**Lt. Stephen Castagliuolo**  
**Commanding Officer**

The Casino Unit has two functions. By agreement, the Unit serves as the primary law enforcement agency for the two Native American operated gaming facilities in southeastern Connecticut where it maintains a 24-hour presence at both the Foxwoods Resort Casino and the Mohegan Sun Casino. In addition to its law enforcement function at these casinos, the Casino Unit also conducts background investigations on all gaming related employees and vendors to determine suitability for licensing by the State Division of Special Revenue.

The Casino Unit is tasked with policing what are virtually two small cities and maintains a vigilant watch to prevent organized crime and other illicit ventures from gaming footholds in the casinos.

During 2002, Casino Unit detectives investigated all types of crime from trespassing to robbery to serious assaults. Detectives further provide a host of miscellaneous police services at each facility including cash escorts, medical assists, business checks and missing person investigations.

Currently, ***Foxwoods Resort Casino*** has approximately 4.7 million sq. ft. of floor space. This includes (6) separate casinos (315,00 sq. ft. gaming space); (6,400) slot machines; (350) table games; (3) hotels w/1400 rooms); (24) restaurants as well as numerous shops and stores. The Foxwoods Resort Casino currently has a daily attendance of approximately 40,000 patrons.

Currently, ***Mohegan Sun Casino*** has approximately 4.0 million sq. ft. of floor space. This includes (2) separate casinos (300,00 sq. ft. gaming space); (6,000) slot machines;(277) table games: (1) hotel w/ 1,200 rooms); (32) restaurants; a 10,000 seat event area; as well as numerous shops and stores. The Mohegan Sun Casino currently has a daily attendance of approximately 35,000 patrons.

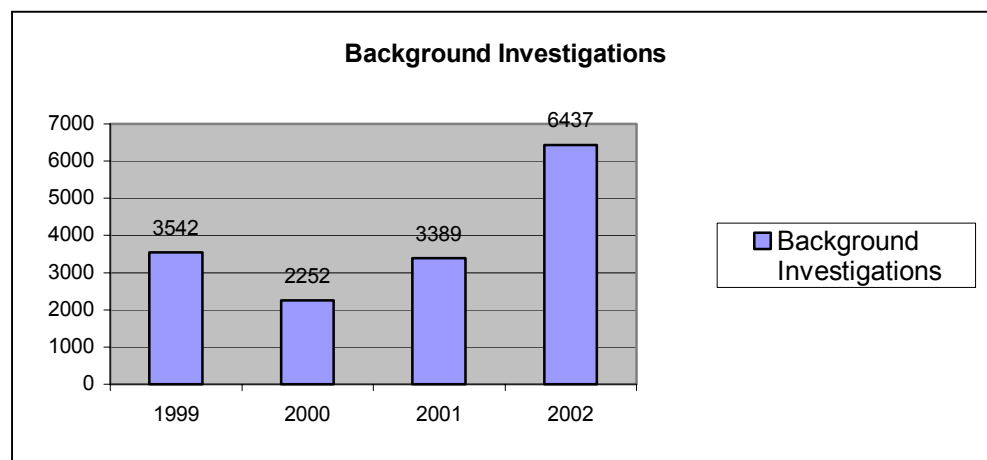
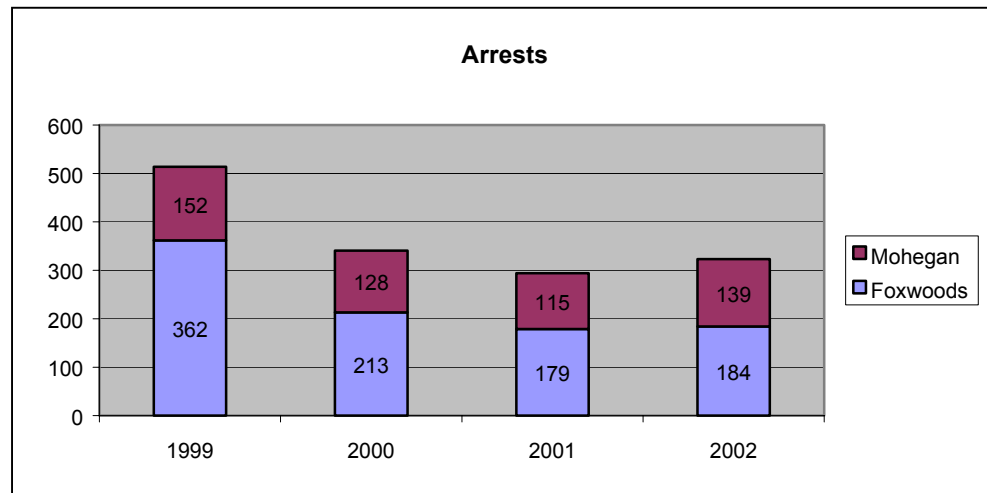
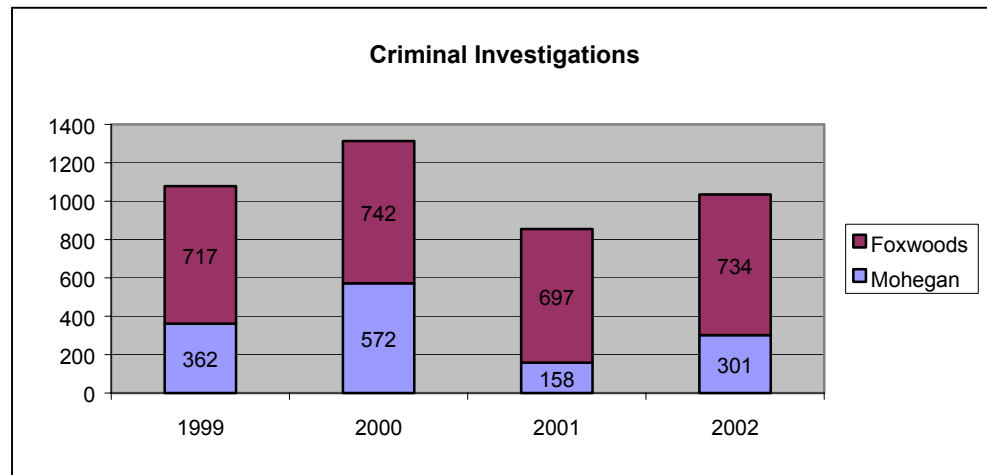
The activities of the Casino Licensing & Operations Unit are mandated by Connecticut General Statute 29-7c. The State of Connecticut is reimbursed for the costs of the Casino Unit by the respective Native American Tribes.



## **Accomplishments**

During the 2002 calendar year, the Casino Unit, through diligent efforts, conducted (1,035) criminal investigations that resulted in (323) arrests.

Additionally, the Casino Unit completed (6,437) employee background investigations, the most ever by the Unit.



### **Note Worthy Cases/Events**

In May 2002, a North Haven man entered a high-stakes black Jack room at Foxwoods Casino armed with a handgun. The man held employees and patrons at gunpoint while he made off with approximately \$385,000.00 in chips. Within 18-hours of this armed robbery, members of the Casino Unit located and arrested the man at his home and recovered all of the stolen chips. This casino robbery was the first one of its kind in Connecticut.

In October 2002, the Casino Unit focused on crimes involving the use of fraudulent or stolen credit cards and identification that were used to obtain cash advances at both casinos. By years end, Casino Unit detectives had made numerous arrests and recovered thousands of dollars in fraudulently obtained cash. Many of these arrests led to criminal activity occurring in other states where the Casino Unit then assisted federal authorities including the FBI, Secret Service and U.S. Postal Service with federal charges.

### **Casino Licensing & Operations Unit**

#### **Authorized Staffing Sworn**

Lieutenant	1
Sergeant	6
<u>Det/Tpr</u>	
Meriden	6
Foxwoods	12
Mohegan	12
<b>Total Det/Tpr</b>	30

#### **Authorized Staffing Civilian**

Clerical	2
Accountant	1
Rehired Retired Troopers (Assigned to Meriden)	8
<b>Total Strength</b>	<b>Authorized</b> 48

## **Central Criminal Intelligence Unit**



**Lt. Philip E. Halibozek**  
**Commanding Officer**

The Central Criminal Intelligence Unit (CCIU) is the designated repository for all criminal intelligence information for the Department. The database housing the information is the Statewide Police Intelligence Network (SPIN). This system electronically connects Local, State and Federal Law Enforcement Agencies in the New England region for intelligence sharing purposes. This system is equally connected to the Regional Information Sharing System (RISS), which provides nationwide access of investigative and intelligence information.

The SPIN database conforms to State and Federal regulations pertaining to intelligence information and requires training and certification for utilization. CCIU personnel are responsible for providing training on a regular basis to both sworn and civilian personnel from all statewide participating Law Enforcement Agencies. Presently, there are approximately 185 user sites for 950 certified users of the system.

Additionally, CCIU provides investigative support services upon request. Some of the services offered include: Autotrak, credit history checks for employment/licensing backgrounds, Department of Labor information, Secretary of State incorporation information, telephone information, etc. The support services are also instrumental in locating wanted persons, fugitives from justice, missing persons and information-involving activities of organized criminal enterprises. CCIU is the state liaison for INTERPOL and the Violent Criminal Apprehension Program (VICAP).

The CCIU Fugitive Section is responsible for the locating and apprehending of fugitives within the State of Connecticut, throughout the United States and internationally. The Fugitive Section maintains contact with all State Police Troops, Specialized Units and Criminal Investigative Units regarding fugitive investigations. It also assists Federal, State and Local Law Enforcement agencies regarding fugitive investigations.

The CCIU Electronic Surveillance Lab is responsible for providing installation of covert cameras, telephonic intercept equipment and electronic technical investigative support in various areas. The Electronic Surveillance Lab conducts all wiretaps in the State of Connecticut and also provides assistance to Federal Agencies with both wiretap and pen register investigations. All intercepts are performed at a central location based in Meriden.

The Central Criminal Intelligence Unit was established in 1993 and Connecticut General Statute 29-4 mandates its activities.

## **Statewide Firearms Trafficking Task Force**

**Sgt. Darren M. Edwards**  
**Acting Commanding Officer**

In July of 2000, the Statewide Firearms Trafficking Task Force (SFTTF) was created to conduct investigations concerned with the movement of firearms within the state. The unit is tasked to keep firearms from reaching persons not authorized to possess them. Unit personnel conduct firearms complaint investigations, undercover assignments and review gun purchase records looking for anomalies or irregular purchases. They look for multiple firearms sales and "Straw Purchases", which refer to situations where a person who is authorized to purchase firearms does so with the intent to sell them to individuals prohibited from purchasing firearms. Unique to this program is that a record of every firearm seized in Connecticut by a law enforcement agency is forwarded to the unit for processing. The unit traces the history of the firearms from the first legitimate purchaser to the point when the firearm became illegal. Since its inception, the unit has traced 4,390 firearms. With the information obtained from traces, the unit, working with the State's Attorneys office, The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF), and Local law enforcement agencies conducts investigations to identify the person(s) responsible for the diversion of the firearms from the legal to the criminal realm.

The SFTTF is also conducts inspections of Federally Licensed Firearms Dealers and "Gun Shows" in this state. "Gun Show" inspections include undercover assignments to monitor the practices at shows to insure that all laws and regulations are adhered to.

Since the SFTTF started, the unit has conducted 186 investigations resulting in 97 felony arrests, executed 72 search warrants and seized 448 firearms including a number of machine guns and assault weapons.

## **Office of Administrative Services**



**Lieutenant Colonel Ralph Carpenter  
Commanding Officer**



**The Office of Administrative Headquarters is located at 1111 Country Club Road in Middletown.**

The commanding officer of the Office of Administrative Services reports to the Commanding Officer of the State Police. This office provides support and technical functions for the department and both general and regulatory services to the general public. Within this office are the Bureau of Training and Support and the Bureau of Business Development Services.





**Captain John Herman**  
**Office of Administrative Services**  
**Chief of Staff**

The primary goal of the office is to provide the tools, technology and services to the men and women who perform the patrol and investigative functions of the State Police.

This office activated a statewide computer aided dispatch (CAD) system, and installed mobile computers into patrol vehicles during 2002. Additional technological enhancements are planned for 2003.

#### **Bureau of Training & Support Services**



**Major Cheryl A. Malloy**  
**Commanding Officer**

The Bureau of Training & Support Services is comprised of the Grants Administration Unit, the Community Policing Unit and the Research & Planning Unit. Additionally this bureau directly oversees the operations of the State Police Training Academy, the Recruiting & Selections Unit, the Background Investigation Unit, the Polygraph Unit, and the Support Services Section, which includes Fleet Operations, the Electronic Maintenance Unit, Facilities Management, Overtime and Regulatory Services.

## **Community Policing Unit**

**Sgt. Christopher Nolan**  
**Unit Supervisor**

Since the COPS award in 1998 the Department Of Public Safety, Division of State Police has continued to implement programs and strategies statewide to deal with quality of life issues within our communities.

To date, 205 troopers are in positions dedicated to community policing. These troopers work with other agencies to address crime problems, safety issues, and security issues across the state.

Positions continue to be tracked for federal reporting requirements.

## **Grants Administration Unit**

**Sgt. Timothy Kradas**  
**Unit Supervisor**

The Grants Management Unit administers and oversees numerous grants used by this agency. This unit is accountable for performing as a specialist in planning, implementation, management and evaluation of a large complex grant program or group of programs in the law enforcement field. Responsibilities include program development, applying for federal funding, liaison and coordination with federal, state and community agencies and organizations, program implementation and administration and program monitoring and assessment. Due to the number of personnel with various levels of expertise that are accountable for management of numerous programs, it is imperative that the Grants Management Unit serve as the centralized conduit for all the various programs in place. To date the unit manages or oversees an estimated forty-eight (48) grant programs totaling \$27.8 million dollars worth of funding.

## **Research & Planning Unit**

**Sgt. George F. Battle**  
**Unit Supervisor**

The Research and Planning Unit is under the command of the Office of Administrative Services and reports directly to the commander of the Bureau of Training & Support Services. This unit conducts planning activities, special projects, and analyzes operational activities for the department. Its primary function is to perform various research projects and provide information to DPS managers on current policies and trends in law enforcement in support of the Office of the Commissioner and the Office of Field Operations.

The main forum in which the Research & Planning Unit provides current information to all agency personnel is through General Orders, published & distributed periodically throughout each calendar year in an effort to update the Administration & Operations (A&O) Manual. The A&O Manual serves as the agencies guide to department policy statements, rules and operating procedures, which evolves and is therefore edited and revised due to legislative acts, administrative protocol and developments in the field of law enforcement and criminal justice.

During 2002, seventeen General Orders were distributed to all personnel addressing numerous categories, including but not limited to, dissemination of public information, pursuit analysis and critique reports, admissibility of evidence of stolen motor vehicles, cash seizures, domestic violence, sick leave documentation, aviation protocol, use of force, organizational structure and responsibilities, use of department computers, mobile video & audio recording, and field intelligence reporting.

Currently this unit is in the process of developing a new CD Rom inclusive of all revised policies, procedures and forms impacting the Department of Public Safety. This electronic format will allow sworn and civilian personnel to reference pertinent inquiries more efficiently as well as allow for the electronic transfer of new policies and / or amendments to all troops and units in the future.

Additionally, the Research and Planning Unit provides an Annual Administrative Report to the governor regarding agency activities, the Annual Pursuit Report to executive state police management personnel for analysis and critique and the Annual Department Report, depicting all agency activities and events for public dissemination via the World Wide Web.

During 2002, the Research & Planning Unit hosted the annual conference of State and Provincial Police Planning Officers. This week-long conference brought together planners from throughout the country as well as Canada to share innovative ideas in law enforcement pertaining to a wide array of topics such as Missing Persons, Internet Crimes, Homeland Security, Crimes Analysis, Family Violence, Major Crime Incident Management, Forensic Science and Media Relations.

### **Support Services Section**



**Captain Joe Davis**  
**Commanding Officer**

Support Services is located at DPS Headquarters and delivers an array of administrative and support services to the department through the following units: Special Licenses and Firearms Unit, Sex Offender Registry Unit, Reports and Records Unit, Facilities Management, Fleet Administration, and Capital Projects.

### **REGULATORY SERVICES**



**Lt. Sarah Kasacek**  
**Commanding Officer**

### **SPECIAL LICENSING & FIREARMS UNIT**

This unit is responsible for the licensing and regulation of bail bondsmen, private investigators, security companies, bail enforcement agents and the issuance of special police powers. The unit is also responsible for the issuance of handgun carry permits, regulation and oversight over all permits, including revocation of permits and presentation of cases before the Firearms Board of Appeals. The unit also oversees all firearm sales and purchases, and the registration of machine guns and assault weapons. The Unit receives electronic information from the all courts regarding Protective and Restraining Orders and makes determinations about an individual's eligibility to possess firearms. Finally, the unit is responsible for the collection and destruction of all firearms seized by state and local law enforcement agencies. Detectives assigned to the unit conduct investigations involving violations of licensing statutes and firearm possession, sale, inspection of firearm dealers and work in conjunction with the Firearms Trafficking Task Force.

This unit is located at State Police Headquarters, Middletown, CT, with a satellite renewal location available at Troop G in Bridgeport. During 2002 the unit issued 6,510 new pistol permits, and 18,048 renewals. A total of 1745 revocations were issued. This is a 63% increase over last year with only 313 pistol permits being reinstated. There were 3,387 confiscated weapons collected and 2,774 destroyed. The total revenues collected during the past year were \$1,151,927.

This unit went on-line with the Judicial Protective Order Registry in July. This connection matches people who have become ineligible to possess firearms because of a court order. By years end 1,318 individual were tracked for compliance to these court orders. The unit remains very involved with legislative proposals to help clarify not only gun laws but licensing laws as well.

## **SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY UNIT**

**Sgt. Samuel Izzarelli**  
**Unit Supervisor**

In 1998 the Connecticut General Assembly adopted Public Act 98-111 mandating that the Department of Public Safety establish and maintain a registry of all person required to register as sex offenders in the State of Connecticut. The department was also required to make registry information available to the public through the Internet.

The Sex Offender Registry Unit continued to register and conduct 90-day address verifications on the state's 3018 registered sex offender during the year. The unit makes notifications to State Police troops and local law enforcement agencies as registered sex offenders move into and out of their jurisdictions.

In May of 2001, Judge Robert N. Chatigny issued an injunction restricting the release of registry information to the public. As a result of this injunction the Sex Offender Registry website was shut down and remained closed throughout 2002. The State appealed the injunction to the United States Supreme Court and the case was heard in November 2002.

In August of 2002, the Connecticut General Assembly passed Connecticut's version of the Federal Campus Act. The act requires registered sex offenders to report to the Commissioner of Public Safety if they are employed at, carry on a vocation at, or are a student at a trade or professional institution or institution of higher learning in this state.

The Sex Offender Registry Unit completed a canvass of the state's registered sex offenders for compliance with the act in December.

In 2002, Connecticut became one of the first states in the country to become fully compliant with federal guidelines for the National Sex Offender Registry, which provides files to the federal government on all of the state's registered offenders to facilitate inter-state tracking of registered offenders.

**As this report goes to press the United States Supreme Court has ruled that the sex offender registry public web site is constitutional and may be accessed by logging on to: [www.sor.state.ct.us](http://www.sor.state.ct.us).**

## **Facilities Management Unit**

**Mr. Bruce Bellucci**  
**Chief Engineer**

The Facilities Management Unit is responsible for ensuring that all of the Department's buildings are in compliance with current life / safety codes, including the Americans with Disabilities Act. The goal is to provide for a quality and safe work environment for the Department's employees and the general public as well.

Currently, there are over 40 buildings at 22 different locations totaling approximately 600,000 sq. ft. this includes:

- **12 troops**
- **Midpoint Headquarters**
- **Mulcahy Complex**
- **Eastern District Headquarters**
- **Training Academy, Meriden**
- **Fleet**
- **Firearms Training Facility, Simsbury**
- **Brainard Airport**

The Unit is made up of:

- **Chief of Engineering Services**
- **Secretary II**
- **Building Superintendent III**
- **Quality Crafts Worker – Carpenter (4)**
- **Quality Crafts Worker – Electrician**

Projects that were recently completed include:

- **Improvements to the water supply system @ Troop C**
- **Built a new Training Room in the garage at Troop D**
- **Constructed offices in Midpoint**
- **Repairs to the underground steam lines @ the Mulcahy Complex**
- **Expand Weapons Vault**
- **Various renovations to the Hanger @ Brainard Airport**
- **Various renovations / improvements @ Troop B**
- **Built podiums for security check points @ Bradley Airport**
- **Installed new holding cell @ Troop K**

Facilities Management works closely with all the various Units in the Department as well as other State Agencies such as the Department of Public Works, the Office of Policy and Management, the Historical Commission, the Department of Public Health, etc.

In the summer of 2003 Phase II of the Building Condition Surveys will begin. Phase I was recently completed and consisted of identifying what projects need to be addressed within a 3 to 5 year time frame. Other base data was also captured that will ultimately be used for an Asset Management System to be purchased at a later date. Phase II will be a more in-depth analysis including life cycle cost analysis for the major systems / equipment, providing accurate square foot data from gross to net-usable, utilization rates etc.

The following is a list of the major upcoming projects:

- **Development of a new Emergency Services and Response Facility**
- **Phase III additions to the Forensic Lab**
- **Phase II Renovations / Improvements to the Hanger @ Brainard Airport**
- **Renovations for an Eastern District Headquarters, Norwich**
- **Roof repairs / replacements – various locations**



## **Fleet Administration Section**

**Mr. Stephen Dygus**  
**Fleet Manager**

**Lt. James DeFelice**  
**Commanding Officer**

**Sgt. Steve Salvatore**  
**Fleet Maintenance Unit Supervisor**

Fleet procures, maintains and disposes of a fleet of nearly 2,000 vehicles. Automotive repairs are accomplished by in-house or vendor maintenance service facilities.

A maintenance management contractor administers the department automotive repair service program. This fiscal year, Fleet Administration acquired new vehicles for road service, stripped and disposed of retired vehicles.

The Central Fleet Facility located in Colchester largely handles set-up and preparation of new equipment and disposal of retired vehicles. Fleet Administration at the facility handles vehicle processing, equipment inventory, automated fuel dispensing system management, body damage administration, insurance liaison, glass repair, on-line registration system entry and vehicle maintenance controls.

Special transportation and heavy vehicle support is also provided by Fleet.

## **Electronic Maintenance Unit**

The Electronic Maintenance Unit's role included installation, retrofitting, maintenance and removal of electronic equipment and systems in fleet and other vehicles as required. The equipment and systems included emergency lighting, siren, radio, cellular, data and video recording. EMU maintained various troop electronics including video/audio monitoring, logging recorders, public address and radio distribution systems, and console-to-building interfaces. Unit technicians installed, maintained and certified the CSP cruiser VASCAR speed enforcement equipment. Unit responsibilities also included the continuing oversight and coordinated support of the outside vendor vehicle installation program.

The Unit's primary accomplishments this past year was: 1. Keeping the electronic installations up and running in the fleet of some 1,200+ vehicles, the majority of the work in direct support of troopers in the field; 2. Completion of numerous specialized vehicle installations as called for to satisfy distinct department needs; 3. Oversight and inspection of the vendor vehicle installation program.

## State Police Training Academy



**Captain Mark Coleman**  
**Commanding Officer**

The State Police Training Academy, under the direction of Lieutenant Mark Coleman, is responsible for the provision of recruit, in-service, remedial and advanced training programs for both sworn and civilian members of the Connecticut State Police, as well as other designated law enforcement and non-law enforcement personnel. Additionally, the Training Academy encompasses the State Police Firearms Training Unit, the DARE program and until January 2003, the Video Production Unit.



## **Recruit Training Program**

**Sergeant J. Paul Kenefick**  
**Recruit Coordinator**

Recruit training has been consolidated and returned to Meriden after an off-site three-(3) year period in the Mansfield facility. In December 2002, the 115<sup>th</sup> Training Troop graduated from Meriden and entered the field training officer (FTO) program. The recruit training program continues to implement and adopt innovative training practices to maintain the highest caliber of entry level troopers. This includes the use of a problem solving model of training that compliments the traditional classroom curriculum. The problem solving model teaches recruits to analyze all resources when confronted with police related issues on calls for service and to choose the most appropriate course of conduct for a given situation with emphasis on maintaining high ethical standards.

A challenge style obstacle course and enhanced rescue swimming components have been incorporated into recruit training. As well, the acquisition of an interactive driving simulator will both enhance training to the recruits and skills enhancement and remedial training to sworn personnel.

Forged partnerships with private industry have allowed for expanded training. An example would be the emergency vehicle operation course (EVOC) utilizing the Consumer Union Facility in Colchester and the Lime Rock Race Facility in Lime Rock.

To further develop each trainees' confidence and skills, recruits are assigned leadership roles within their own training troop and are evaluated early on in their performance and capabilities. Ongoing training for recruits and other department members through the newly developed Leadership Training Course will provide ongoing training for all department members.

These training programs continue to be models for other agencies to emulate, encouraging them to develop new approaches to meet the changing demands and expectations for the next generation of troopers. To further the same, the Academy now conducts police explorer academies to familiarize and challenge young persons and to familiarize them with the goals and demands of policing.

## **Firearms Training Unit**

**Sergeant Llewellyn Rowe, Jr.**  
**Range Officer**

The Firearms Training Unit is a component of the State Police Training Academy and is responsible for the development and implementation of firearms training for the Division of State Police. The testing and evaluation of firearms, ammunition and attendant equipment is conducted at the Firearms Training Unit in Simsbury.

The Firearms Training Unit provides training, technical assistance and firearm repairs for department members, other state, municipal and federal agencies. These agencies include but are not limited to: FBI, DEA, Secret Service, the Marshals Office, the Military, Federal Homeland Security and for law enforcement divisions of major firearms manufacturers such as Colt, Mossberg and Sig Sauer.

In 2002 over 3,000 law enforcement officers were trained at the Simsbury facility. Members of the firearms training unit provide liaison services to the Attorney General's Office, the Division Of Criminal Justice and provide assistance to numerous State Task Forces of the Governor on topical issues such as threat assessment, workplace violence, tactical narcotic enforcement, school violence and terrorism.

The Firearms Training Unit continues to conduct training for Citizen Police Academies and other civic and private industry groups, with the emphasis on personal firearm safety and related topics.

The Firearms Training Unit has obtained a State of the Art Firearms Training Simulator (FATS) that will greatly enhance the training provided to recruits, sworn members and the general public.

The 2003 Firearms In-Service Program traditionally held in the Spring period has been moved to the Fall. This year the program will consist of: Use of Force, Pursuit Policies, Trooper Safety Issues, Firearms Qualification and Terrorism, Phase II.

## **In-Service Training Program**

### **Sergeant Marcia Youngquist Coordinator**

In-Service Training continues its role as a leader in law enforcement training. During the year, it hosted several supervisory and specialized courses under the auspices of the New England State Police Administrators Compact (NESPAC). In addition, several department specific training sessions were held for Resident Troopers, Community Resource Officers, Field Training Officers and most recently, Terrorism.

The annual In-Service program this year for department sworn personnel consists of medical responder training, gang violence, defensive tactics/handcuffing and bigotry/bias crimes/sexual harassment. To maintain proficiency in current law enforcement issues, numerous in-service training bulletins and videos were produced and used during role call training at troops and specialized units. During this in-service period training academy staff have taken this training into the field and are conducting the training at off-site facilities convenient to the personnel in the troops and units. The Training Coordinator provided for attendance for over 200 specialized training sessions for sworn personnel at various locations both in and out of the state.

### **D.A.R.E. Unit**

#### **Trooper First Class Rafael Morales**

The D.A.R.E. Unit is responsible for the training of all State and Municipal Police Officers who desire to become D.A.R.E. Officers. The Unit is also responsible for training certified D.A.R.E. Officers in advanced curriculum, i.e. Junior High/Middle School D.A.R.E.; Senior High School D.A.R.E. and the D.A.R.E. Parent Program.

The D.A.R.E. Coordinator audits each of the 53 programs conducted by State Police personnel.

### **Video Production Unit**

#### **Mr. Peter Cater**

The Video Production Unit provides vital video services and technical support to the Connecticut State Police, as well as federal, local and state law enforcement agencies.

Projects undertaken by the Video Production Unit involved recruit training documentation, class videos, in-service training videos, and public safety announcements.

## **Selections Unit**

**Sgt. C. Leon Pierce**  
**Unit Supervisor**

Selections Unit staff, including personnel of the Polygraph and Background Investigation units, coordinated the testing and administration of polygraph examinations for background investigations, psychological assessments, medical evaluations, and drug screening for the 115<sup>th</sup> Training Troop and the cancelled 116th Training Troop. The 115th began training in May of 2002, and graduated in December of 2002.

A new written examination for the position of Trooper Trainee was administered to 2,257 applicants in April of 2002. Candidates who passed the test were then scheduled for the physical fitness assessment in May and the observational examination in September. There were 2,167 candidates who participated in the physical fitness assessment; and there were 918 candidates who took the observational test. Recruits will be selected from this testing process to form the new 116th Training Troop.

Unit personnel attended various recruitment activities at area colleges, universities, high schools, and civic events. Recruitment information was also disseminated through the unit toll free telephone line and the agency web site.

## **Polygraph Unit**

**Sgt. Randolph Howell**  
**Commanding Officer**

Since its inception in 1959, the Connecticut State Police Polygraph Unit has been responsible for the screening of state police recruits. The unit also conducts recruit screening for local police departments and other state agencies. The unit also supports a wide variety of criminal investigations including sexual assaults, suspicious deaths, thefts, missing persons and allegations of improper police behavior. Assigned to the now completely computerized unit, are four examiners and one sergeant. Of those five assigned to the unit, one is a member of the board of directors of the American Association of Police Polygraphist, a professional organization involved with maintaining high standards of proficiency in the polygraph field.

During this reporting period, the unit conducted over 1115 polygraph examinations. Of those, 961 were pre-employment polygraphs, 661 for state police and 300 for local police. There were 138 criminal examinations, 48 for state police and 90 completed for local police and 16 for the courts. The unit was involved in high profile cases including a baby shaking case where admissions obtained during examinations led to arrests. A unit member also obtained a confession in a western Connecticut high profile murder case that led to multiple arrests and convictions.



## **Background Investigative Unit**

**Sgt. Raoul Palen**  
**Commanding Officer**

The Background Investigative Unit was established on June 1, 1998 and began operating on August 8, 1998. The unit is comprised of sworn and civilian personnel.

This unit conducts background investigations on foster and adoptive parent applications for the Department of Children and Families (DCF). The unit also conducts background investigations for the Governor's Office, Special Revenue, Department of Consumer Protection, Liquor Division, Department of Public Safety civilian and sworn employee applicants, Local Police Departments, work applicants to other agencies (DPW, Treasury), as requested.

Between January 1, 2002 and December 31, 2002, the unit has received 3,968 background investigations, the majority of which have been completed and returned to the appropriate requester. Included in that amount are 146 CSP applicant backgrounds.

The Background Investigative Unit has experienced and expects to continue to experience, a steady increase in the number of investigations and the number of personnel assigned to this unit.

## Field Technology Section



**Captain Thomas Davoren**

**Commanding Officer**

The Field Technology Section is under the command of the Office of Administrative Services, and reports directly to the commander of the Bureau of Data Management and Information Technology.

This section is comprised of the following units: Information Systems and GIS Mapping, CAD / RMS Training & Implementation, Crimes Analysis & COMPSTAT, the DPS Communication Center, the Connecticut Telecommunications Unit and the Network Control Center.

This section is primarily responsible for the implementation of the Computer Automated Dispatch System (I-CAD) as well as the Automated Data Records Management System (I-LEADS). To date, all of the of the Troops and the majority of the specialized units have converted to this new records management system which is replacing the previously existing State Police Resource Allocation Management Information System (SPRAMIS).

An integral component to this new data system is the electronic transmission of information from units in the field. With the implementation of "I-Mobile", personnel are able to utilize laptop computers in their vehicles to provide voiceless dispatch capabilities, status updates, messaging, and queries to a variety of systems such as COLLECT & NCIC. "I-Mobile" also interfaces with automatic vehicle location hardware and provides extensive map capabilities. Currently about 180 laptop computers have been disseminated to the patrol force with a total of approximately 400 being issued during 2003.

The 800mhz radio system has been fully implemented statewide and is performing exceptionally well. Deployment of laptop computers in patrol vehicles continues as of this report with the goal being to equip every patrol trooper and supervisor with this technology.

Furthermore, this section is responsible for the statewide oversight, analysis, coordination and dissemination of crime and traffic statistical data through the Crimes and Traffic Analysis Unit. In addition to their primary role of analyzing criminal and motor vehicle data, personnel assigned to this unit are also instrumental in the transition to the new "I-CAD" & "I-LEADS" systems. Assigned personnel are responsible for computer programming and the training of agency personnel, on the utilization of these technological advancements.

## Crimes Analysis Unit

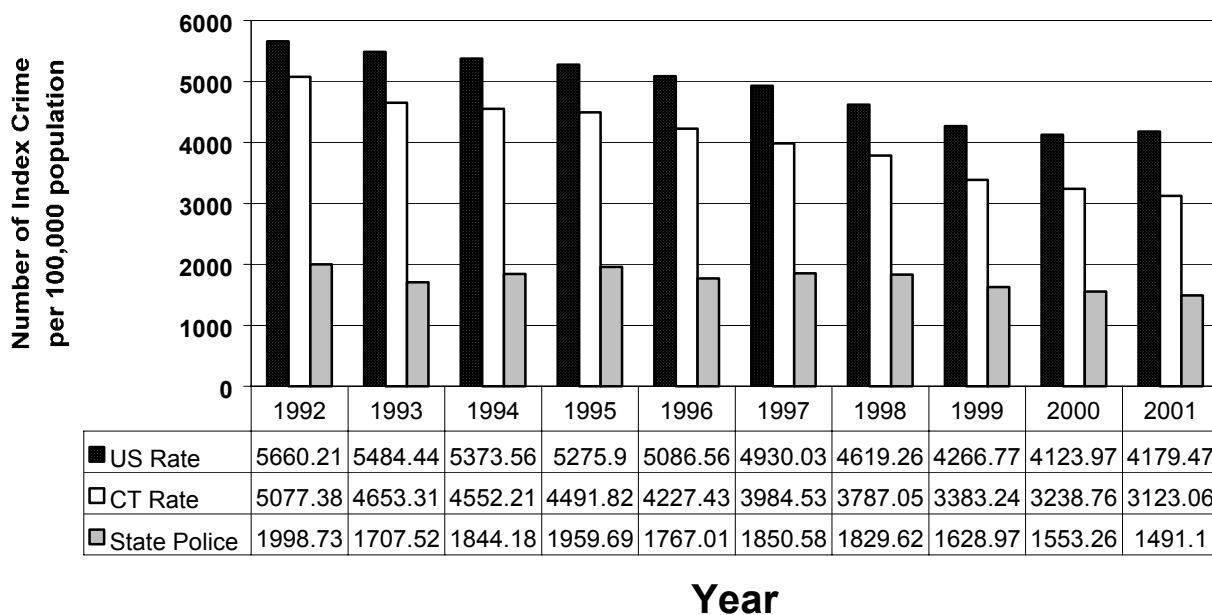


**William G. Lopez**  
Unit Supervisor

Crime Analysis collects information statewide for the Uniform Crime Reporting Program (UCR), National Incident-Based Reporting Program (NIBRS), Hate Crime Reporting Program and the Family Violence Reporting Program. The Unit is also assisting in implementing, training, monitoring data quality and publishing data from the agency's new Intergraph Records Management System.

The Unit provides this agency, other state agencies, and the public with information concerning crime, motor vehicle accidents, enforcement activities, miscellaneous services and related freedom of information requests.

## Index Crime 1992 - 2001



This table depicts Index Crime, which is a summary statistic comprising the total number of Index Offenses that occur within a particular time (e.g.; year 2001) and location (e.g., Connecticut). The Index Offenses include murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, and motor vehicle theft. A ten-year period with rates for the U.S, Connecticut and State Police jurisdictions are presented.

## **Department of Public Safety Communications Center**



**Lt. Wayne I. Rioux**  
**Commanding Officer**

A Department of Public Safety Headquarters based emergency radio and telecommunications center, the Message Center is a 24/7 operation, responsible for all emergency DPS notifications, paging systems, telephone and radio operations. It helps maintain the integrity of the COLLECT/NCIC/NLETS systems for state, federal and local law enforcement agencies. The Message Center is a fully functional dispatch center capable of taking over all Troop dispatch functions should the need arise. This unit serves as the primary communications link between the field districts, troops and the executive command staff.



## **Information Systems and GIS Mapping Unit**

### **MSgt. Anthony Schirillo Unit Supervisor**

The Information Systems / GIS Mapping Unit is responsible for the evaluation, selection, acquisition and implementation of computer hardware and software utilized by the agency. Over 1400 PCs and notebook computers are located throughout Connecticut and maintained by this unit. The Connecticut On-Line Law Enforcement Communication Teleprocessing System (COLLECT) used by state and local law enforcement agencies and the FBI is maintained by Data Processing. Also maintained by Data Processing are The State Police Resource Allocation Management Information System (SPRAMIS) and the State Police Record Management System. Both systems operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

COLLECT was recently updated to meet new mandated FBI requirements. SPRAMIS was a wide-area network (WAN) with on-line terminals in each troop and other selected agency units. Special units continue to use SPRAMIS. The troops are now using a new Computer Aided Dispatch/Record Management System. Computer Operations operates five servers, SPRAMIS, and the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) computer, also utilized 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Communications required by the LAN's, WAN, and Internet are the responsibility of this unit. The Agency has over 350 e-mail users.

## **Connecticut Telecommunications System**



**Michael A. Stemmler  
Director**

The Connecticut Telecommunications System (CTS) consists of the Microwave Services, Radio Services and Telephone Services Units. CTS designs, procures, implements and maintains the integrated, digital wireless telecommunications network which is capable of carrying voice, data and video into all DPS locations, including the mobile environment. CTS maintains the other radio systems required for inter-agency communications, the Emergency Restoration System, including mobile command post vehicles, and oversees various telephone systems.

CTS infrastructure consists of 61 telecommunications sites made up of various towers, equipment shelters, emergency generators and battery backup systems. The 800 MHz digital trunked, simulcast radio system implementation by Motorola is operational statewide as well as the mobile data and computer aided dispatch systems.



## **Radio Services**



**Paul Zito  
Unit Supervisor**

Radio Services is responsible for installation of electronic systems in the department fleet of vehicles as well as some systems at troops. Emergency warning systems, legacy radios, in-car video systems, and speed enforcement electronic equipment all receive expert attention from Radio Services personnel. troop public address systems, logging recorders and console-to-building interface systems are included in the unit mission assignments. Radio Services operates electronic laboratory satellite facilities in Bethany, Litchfield and Colchester.

Telephone Services coordinates department telephone needs including requests for cellular services and new installations. Requests for new telephone systems or features are evaluated, existing system additions, moves and changes are routinely handled as well as calls for repairs that may require urgent attention. Telephone Services also acts as E911 liaison between the department PSAPs, SNET and the Office of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications (OSET).

## **Criminal Justice & Information Services Section**



**Captain Scott Martin  
Commanding Officer**

The Criminal Justice & Information Services Section is staffed by four sworn and approximately 80 non-sworn personnel.

Major components of this section are the State Police Bureau of Identification, the COLLECT Unit, Reports & Records and the Statewide CJIS Projects Unit. All are crucial to the daily operations of the agency and the primary mission is providing for the safety of officers, employees, and the public. It is the dedication and hard work of personnel assigned to these units that makes the Criminal Justice & Information Services Section successful.

The AFIS and COLLECT Procurement Projects are moving forward on schedule with awards expected to be made to vendors during the 2003 / 2004 fiscal year.

The Criminal Justice & Information Services Section continues to be an integral part of numerous statewide criminal justice projects including the Offender Based Tracking System, the On Line Booking System, the Statewide Image Repository and other important public safety initiatives.

## **Statewide CJIS Projects Unit / COLLECT Unit**



**Lt. Michael Woodson  
Commanding Officer**

The CJIS Projects Unit & the COLLECT Unit are comprised of sworn and civilian personnel and conduct administrative and unit missions in accordance with all applicable federal and state mandates. Additional duties include the administration of applicable state and federal grant funds.

## **COLLECT Unit**



**Joan Hilliard  
COLLECT Manager**

This unit is responsible for the management and development of the Connecticut On Line Law Enforcement Communications Teleprocessing System, known as COLLECT.

COLLECT is the state level computer system that provides Connecticut law enforcement and criminal justice agencies with access to wanted person, missing person and stolen property data bases, well as other state and federal data bases. It is the state's connection to the FBI's NCIC and NLETS databases.

COLLECT is mandated by NCIC to certify and re-certify all terminal operators. This is accomplished by a staff of four trainers and a COLLECT lead training coordinator. There are currently over 17,000 certified COLLECT users.

The unit provides COLLECT access to over 250 user agencies. These agencies have more than 1,500 terminal devices, both fixed and mobile, that ties them to COLLECT. With the increase of mobile data devices the COLLECT systems continues to experience significant growth.

A federal mandate requires COLLECT to audit all user agencies biennially. COLLECT audits are performed by two processing technicians.

Over the past year COLLECT has been working with its user agencies to upgrade from old Memorex/Telex equipment to personal computers. In conjunction with the equipment upgrade, COLLECT is upgrading its communications protocol from SNA to TCP/IP.

The upgrade to PCs and to TCP/IP is required to allow COLLECT move forward with the COLLECT Revision Project. The COLLECT Revision Project will provide access to the current applications, the new NCIC 2000 functionality, and access to other state applications (ie., OBTS, Weapons System, Order Registry, etc.)

Working with Judicial Operations, COLLECT has provided its users with a new Protective Order File (File 20). Protective Order File provides immediate access to the 5 types of orders issued by Judicial, Board of Parole and the Department of Corrections. In addition to the Protective Registry, agencies that have converted to TCP/IP are given access to the Judicial Re-arrest Warrant File (Prawn). This file contains 47,000 re-arrest warrants issued by Judicial.

## State Police Bureau of Identification / AFIS



**Sgt. Daniel Failla**  
**Commanding Officer**

The State Police Bureau of Identification is made up of the Criminal Records Unit and the Fingerprint Unit.

The Criminal Records Unit, which is supervised by Margaret Murphy, is responsible for maintaining and disseminating Statewide Criminal History Records. The Criminal History Record is available to State, Federal, and Municipal Criminal Justice and Non-Criminal Justice Agencies who request information for criminal and applicant purposes.

The public may request a copy of a Criminal History "CONVICTION ONLY" for a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25). The Criminal Records Unit currently has a staff of nineteen (19) employees, which includes, (13) Office Assistants, (5) Processing Technicians, and (1) Officer Supervisor. The Criminal Records operates on two shifts and is open to the general public Monday-Friday from 8:30am-4:30pm, closed on holidays.

### **CRIMINAL RECORDS ACTIVITIES**

<b>Fingerprints Received:</b>	<b>129,538</b>
New Arrests Added to CCH:	88,844
Fingerprints Manually Searched:	105,611
Fingerprints Filed:	78,924
Records Requested Requiring a \$25. fee:	24,193
Records Requests No Fee Required:	52,679
Teletype Message Requests Received:	8,498
NICS Requests for Dispositions:	197
DMV/PSL Criminal Record Requests:	1,836
DCF Criminal Record Requests:	93,729
Attorney General Certified Record Requests:	1,986
<b>CFR/FBI Applicant Record Messages:</b>	<b>2,176</b>
CFN/FBI Applicant No Record Messages:	17,103
FBI Card \$2.00 Processing Fee Collected:	111,940
<b>State of CT Criminal Records Fees Collected:</b>	<b><u>\$717,254</u></b>
<b>Total Revenue Collected:</b>	<b><u>\$829,194</u></b>

The Fingerprint Unit, which is supervised by Identification Technician Supervisor John Weir Jr., is responsible for processing all ten print identification requests. The Fingerprint Unit operates on two shifts for criminal justice requests, and is open to the public Monday-Friday between 8:30am-4:30pm. The Fingerprint Unit has 14 staff members, which include an Identification Technician Supervisor, (3) Identification Technician II, and (10) Identification Technician I. During the past year the Fingerprint Unit processed 129,293 Criminal Fingerprint Cards, 68,141 Applicant Fingerprint Cards for a total of 197,434. Since its inception in 1923, the total number of fingerprint cards on file has grown to an estimated 6-7 million.

The Fingerprint Unit staff is also responsible for use of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS). During the past year 67,687 ten print searches were done on AFIS. The AFIS database has grown to approximately 1,743,000 records.

The Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) Administrator is responsible for the overall operation of AFIS and related electronic systems. Since the second century B.C. when Chinese rulers used fingerprints to seal important documents, society has recognized that fingerprints are undeniable and unchangeable evidence of personal identification. AFIS technology has taken over much of the storage, search, and matching capability of the fingerprint analyst. A fingerprint is often the only piece of evidence to tie a suspect to the scene of a crime. While the eye of a trained identification technician is still critical to a final verification, AFIS plays a key role in the investigation process by virtually replacing traditional manual methods of matching and classification. Manual searches, once tedious and often impossible, have been made faster, easier and more exacting by AFIS technology. AFIS is driven by sophisticated algorithms that extract fingerprint characteristics for comparison against an electronic database.

Currently, the Connecticut database contains more than 1.7 million sets of fingerprints from criminals, criminal suspects and applicants. Approximately 200,000 of these records are from the State of Rhode Island sharing a common database. The AFIS mainframe is located in the Department of Public Safety headquarters, with remote terminals at the Connecticut State Police Forensic Laboratory, Rhode Island Office of the Attorney General, Rhode Island State Police, and the Hartford Police Department.

Live-Scan Fingerprint Systems, which capture fingerprint images and demographic data electronically, are functioning in several municipal police departments, troops and units. This project has been expanding to include more systems and will have soon direct electronic submissions to allow real time identification.

A direct electronic connection has been established with the Federal Bureau of Identification (AFIS). When this connection is fully operational, it will interface directly with AFIS and provide a two-hour response on criminal submissions and a 24-hour response time on civil submissions to the federal database.

The field of biometric technology is progressing rapidly and the Department of Public Safety is committed to remain on the cutting edge of this technology. A procurement process is currently underway to purchase a state of the art AFIS that will achieve faster, more accurate processing and an electronic link to all related systems.



## **Reports & Records**



**Susan Revoir  
Office Supervisor**

Reports and Records serves as the central repository for all Dept of Public Safety investigative reports. Each troop and specialized unit sends the original copy of all reports to this office.

In 2001-02, this office inventoried more than 67,000 case reports and responded to over 40,000 requests for copies of reports generating \$334,000.00 in revenues. In addition to responding to the public, this office responds to requests from various federal, state, and local agencies in accordance with Connecticut's various disclosure statutes.

Reports and Records works' in concert with the Connecticut Public Records Administrator to administer the agency records retention program. This involves tracking and setting retention periods for all agency forms and records according to state statutes and regulations.

Other areas of responsibility include the agency mail system which ensures timely delivery of interdepartmental and U. S. mail throughout our agency. The reproduction unit is where most agency forms, training booklets and other materials are printed for use by our agency.

## **DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY**



**Deputy Commissioner Vincent J. DeRosa**  
**Commanding Officer**

In August 2001, Governor John G. Rowland authorized the creation of the Division of Protective Services, changed in 2002 to the Division of Homeland Security.

After September 11<sup>th</sup>, Deputy Commissioner Vincent DeRosa was named the State's Homeland Security Advisor by Governor John G. Rowland.





**Major John J. Buturla**  
**Executive Officer**

Our mission is to utilize all available resources within state government to develop and implement unified safety and security measures to prevent, mitigate and manage incidents threatening the quality of life of the citizens of the State of Connecticut.

Connecticut is densely populated and offers a target rich environment. In addition to Connecticut's close proximity to New York City and the amount of Federal and State office buildings, key assets include nuclear power plants, military targets, multiple defense contractors, a pharmaceutical complex and two highly successful resort casinos. Mass transportation assets include Amtrak and Metro North Train Lines, Bradley International Airport and seasonal ferry service. The three major ports located in Bridgeport, New Haven and New London are major regional distribution centers for bulk, break, and liquid petroleum products in New England, including the National Strategic Petroleum Reserve. It serves as the main hub for jet fuel used by Bradley International Airport and Westover Air Force Base. These assets currently affect Connecticut on a local, regional and national level – through economics, transportation, infrastructure and the overall quality of life of Connecticut's citizens.

**Sergeant John P. Vaz**  
**Chief of Staff**

Connecticut is strategically located between New York City and Boston along the I-95 coastal corridor and is considered the Gateway to New England.

The events of September 11<sup>th</sup> have forced law enforcement to expand its focus beyond the normal police functions of criminal and motor vehicle investigations and traffic enforcement. The Division of Homeland Security was created to deal with the new and growing concern involving both domestic and international terrorism. Its vision reflects terrorism's global impact affecting the citizens of Connecticut from within and outside the State borders.

The Division of Homeland Security recognizes law enforcement's primary mission to develop prevention strategies and acknowledges collaboration and cooperation with federal, state and local entities is key in protecting the citizens of Connecticut against terrorist attacks. It is imperative the approach to terrorism be proactive rather than the traditional reactive response.

The Division of Homeland Security is sub-divided into the following five specialized sections; created to address recent federal regulations and facilitate the growing demands for increased public safety. Emphasis is placed on establishing and maintaining a cooperative multi-agency network, vital to the overall mission of Homeland Security.

- 1. Office of Statewide Security**
  - a. Urban Search & Rescue Unit
  - b. Critical Infrastructure Protection Unit
- 2. Domestic Terrorism Section**
  - a. Joint Terrorism Task Force
  - b. Statewide Anti-Terrorism Task Force
    - 1) Intelligence Unit
    - 2) Homeland Security Advisory System
    - 3) Training and Education
    - 4)
- 3. Executive Protection Section**
  - a. Dignitary Protection
  - b. Governor's Security Unit
- 4. Citizen Corps**
- 5. Rentschler Field Stadium Security Unit**

## OFFICE OF STATEWIDE SECURITY



**Lt. John Duley**  
**Commanding Officer**

### CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION UNIT

The critical infrastructure of the state is of paramount importance to this Division. This office will have responsibility for conducting security assessments of all key assets within state government, as well as private facilities that are integral to the quality of life of the citizens of Connecticut.

Critical infrastructures are those physical and cyber-based systems essential to the minimum operations of the economy and government. They include, but are not limited to the following sectors:

1. Utilities (Energy, Water & Waste)
2. Telecomm
3. Health
4. Chemical
5. Education
6. Banking & Finance
7. Transportation
8. Food
9. Technology
10. General Manufacturing
11. Research & Development
12. Public Safety
13. Government
14. Emergency Preparedness

Many segments of our society have a vital role in reducing our vulnerability and increasing our levels of security. Protecting critical infrastructures and other key assets requires a cooperative effort between Federal, state and local law enforcement agencies as well as private security services within the private sector and all citizens.

Members of this unit have been receiving specialize training in the field of physical and cyber protection as it relates to terrorism, critical assets and overall statewide security. Some of the education facilities providing the training range from POST, Sandia National Laboratories, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC), American Society for Industrial Security (ASIS), Louisiana State University (LSU) and American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE).

Since its inception this unit has been assigned numerous duties some of which are high profile operations. These operations include Critical Infrastructure Protection, which involves the gathering of information and mapping of critical sites within the State of Connecticut.

#### **Security Vulnerability Assessments**

These assessments have been conducted on several key state facilities and were conducted from a "Law Enforcement" point of view. Included with the assessment are recommendations to improve security as it relates to terrorism, theft, work-place violence, vandalism, among other crimes of violence.



## **Sound Security Initiative**

This initiative was a major undertaking, which included hundreds of personnel from a wide variety of different agencies. Primarily this involved the gathering and disseminating of security and intelligence information relating to the Long Island Sound through the July 4, 2002 period. The augmenting of security at selected key federal, state, commercial, public and private asset facilities along the Connecticut shoreline. Finally, this initiative was responsible for providing pilothouse security for commercial ferryboat traffic from the Bridgeport and New London ports.

## **Port Security Assessments**

This involved the identification of key assets within Connecticut's three major ports (Bridgeport, New Haven & New London). These key assets are facilities that are deemed critical to the operation of the three ports as well as to the State of Connecticut's economy and infrastructure. There were numerous tasks associated with the completion of this assignment. Some of which were identifying 54 sites key sites within the three ports. These sites included but were not

limited to numerous petrol-chemical facilities, pharmaceutical facilities, ferryboat terminals, chemical facilities, Department of Defense (DOD) contractors, energy generation facilities, train stations and bridges.

Additionally this unit was tasked with conducting security vulnerability surveys on these key sites. These surveys were conducted with a law enforcement point of view and included a detailed list of recommendations and mitigations strategies that were presented to the facility operators. Finally, this unit developed recommendations on a centralized communication system and background investigations to be used within the three ports.

## **URBAN SEARCH & RESCUE UNIT**

The Connecticut Urban Search and Rescue Unit (USAR) is a joint effort by emergency service providers to primarily protect the citizens of Connecticut. Law enforcement, fire service, and emergency medical service personnel are merged with private sector personnel to provide their expertise in disciplines critical to this Task Force. The primary mission of this team, also known as Connecticut Task Force One, is to locate and extricate victims in the event of large-scale structural collapse, regardless of cause.

The team will require additional logistical support from the various disciplines within State government, such as the Military Department and the Department of Public Works.

Other local, state, and federal agencies will provide the team with assistance as the situation warrants. Individual team members function separately from their respective agencies and support an Incident Commander in tasks related to Consequence Management.

## **DOMESTIC TERRORISM SECTION**



**Lt. James Salzano**  
**Commanding Officer**

This office contains the Statewide Anti-Terrorism Task Force, the Joint Terrorism Task Force, the Statewide Advisory System, The Intelligence Unit and Training & Education.

### **STATEWIDE ANTI-TERRORISM TASK FORCE**

The SATTF handles all inquiries made to this office and local law enforcement agencies. The scope of responsibilities is primarily set forth within Public Act 02-97, an Act Concerning Acts of Terrorism. Investigators will also be responsible for the gathering and dissemination of information to all stakeholders in the Connecticut Homeland Security Advisory System. The investigators conduct training for State, local and private organizations to increase their awareness and ability to respond to terrorism incidents.

The responsibilities of the SATTF also include maintaining a liaison with the Federal Office of Homeland Security, the Federal Office of Emergency Management, Federal Bureau of Investigation and other federal, state, and local agencies.

### **JOINT TERRORISM TASK FORCE**

Investigators assigned to this unit work within the FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force. This entity is composed of local, state, and federal investigators who are dedicated to combat terrorist activities within the state.

### **HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISORY SYSTEM**

Investigators assigned to this unit are responsible for identifying, analyzing and disseminating information to state and local authorities regarding the risk of terrorist incidents. This is based on the national framework originating from the Department of Justice.

### **INTELLIGENCE UNIT**

To collect, analyze, disseminate and investigate intelligence information concerning terrorist activity. This Unit's main responsibility would be to investigate incidents that occur within the state of Connecticut and the sharing of information regarding terrorist activity.

### **TRAINING AND EDUCATION**

To ensure that all state and local law enforcement officers at all levels receive up to date training that will increase their ability to identify and respond to terrorism incidents. Additionally, the unit will provide informational seminars to civic/private organizations regarding the role of Homeland Security.

## **EXECUTIVE PROTECTION SECTION**

**M/Sgt. Gregory Chelso**  
**Commanding Officer**

In 2002, the Executive Protection Section was created within the Department of Public Safety, Division of Homeland Security. It is comprised of the pre-existing Governor's Security Unit and the newly formed Dignitary Protection Unit.

Through training and constant evaluations of security procedures, troopers assigned to the Executive Protection Section maintain a high level of efficiency and expertise. This assignment also relies on integrated security and protective projects with local, state, federal, and international agencies.

### **GOVERNOR'S SECURITY UNIT**

The primary function of the Governor's Security Unit is to provide protection to the Governor of the State of Connecticut and the governor's immediate family.

Assigned troopers are also responsible for the following: to identify and investigate potential security concerns and/or threats to the Governor; to act as the governor's bodyguard; to protect all residences of the governor; to protect the Office of the Governor at the State Capitol; to plan advance details of travel arrangements; to arrange communications and security systems; and to provide protection to the Lieutenant Governor.

The unit consists of permanently assigned troopers who are occasionally supplemented as needed by troopers from the Division of Homeland Security.

The Governor's Security Unit is active in the National Governor's Security Association, particularly regarding training and national "best practice" matters.

### **DIGNITARY PROTECTION UNIT**

The Dignitary Protection Unit provides support and assistance, upon request, to the protective personnel of dignitaries visiting Connecticut. This includes assistance to and liaison with the US Secret Service, the US State Department, and the US Capitol Police, among others.

## **RENTSCHLER FIELD SECURITY UNIT**



**Captain Albert Masek  
Commanding Officer**

The new 40,000-seat multipurpose stadium complex is situated on 8.5 acres of a 75-acre parcel acquired from Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Corp., in East Hartford, Connecticut. This state of the art complex will host UCONN football as well as other sports and entertainment events beginning in the summer of 2003. Designed and equipped to meet public safety requirements, the complex can function as a backup emergency operations center to provide temporary staging, training, and shelter, during an emergency crisis. A dedicated security detail within the Division of Homeland Security will provide security in cooperation with East Hartford Public Safety and UCONN Police.



## **CITIZEN CORPS**

**Sgt. John P. Vaz and Ms. Rosemary Salerno  
Coordinators**

The Citizen Corps is a component of USA Freedom Corps that creates opportunities for people to assist communities to prepare for and respond to emergencies through local leaders, citizen volunteers and a network of first responder organizations, such as fire, police, and emergency medical services.

## **Division of Fire, Emergency & Building Services**



**Wayne H. Maheu, Director**



**The Division of Fire, Emergency & Building Services Headquarters is located at 1111 Country Club Road in Middletown.**

The Division of Fire, Emergency & Building Services is one of four divisions in the Department of Public Safety. It is assigned complex responsibilities related to various aspects of building and fire safety, telecommunications, education and data management. The following major components share these responsibilities, the Office of State Fire Marshal, the Office of State Building Inspector, the Office of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications and the Office of Education and Data Management. Each requires knowledgeable personnel with specific skills, education and training. Each office is supported by equally knowledgeable and experienced administrative and clerical staff. Technical fields with which the division deals include fire and arson investigation, plan review and engineering, hazardous materials, explosives, amusement rides, elevator and boiler safety inspection, demolition, crane operation, licensing & permits, telecommunication engineering & system design, and technical training and education in related fields.

## **Office of Education & Data Management**

The Office of Education & Data Management, in cooperation with the State Codes and Standards Committee, State Fire and Building Code Training Councils and Code Training and Education Board of Control, is responsible for the education of building officials and fire marshals. The office schedules quarterly examinations for the licensure of local building officials. Annually it conducts a pre-licensure program for building officials and a pre-certification program for fire marshals. In addition, it is responsible for the continuing education of all municipal building officials and fire marshals as well as those in allied professions, together constituting a group of approximately 5,000 individuals, that is provided ongoing access to fire and building code training.

During the calendar year 2001, 159 local fire officials successfully completed the three module pre-certification course, totaling 456 hours of classroom instruction. The Pre-Licensure program for building officials was attended by 61 students in the day class and 37 for the evening class, representing 324 hours of classroom instruction. In conjunction with the Offices of State Fire Marshal and State Building Inspector, this office delivered 24 in-service training programs for building officials, fire marshals and other allied professionals. This represented a total of 390 classroom hours, 20,863 student contact hours and approximately 5,765 attendees.

A combined total of 365 building and fire code officials were re-certified during this reporting period. Nineteen local building and fire code officials were decertified for noncompliance with re-certification requirements. Office staff processed 8,107 applications for continuing education credits and mailed 7,784 course announcements and other notices.

Recently, the Office of Education & Data Management reorganized and formed two bureaus within the office, the Bureau of Administration and Bureau of Education. With that came the added responsibility of training Public Safety Telecommunicators (E-911 dispatchers). It has undertaken a complete transformation that will upgrade the training and education programs for all code officials, telecommunicators and allied professionals. New programs have been drafted and presented and additional programs will be made available over the next several months.

The Office of Education & Data Management conducted eight training programs for 217 public safety telecommunicators totaling 11,718 hours of classroom instruction. It administered telecommunicator certification examinations to 125 students who had attended other outside training programs totaling 375 student contact hours. The office has also re-certified 85 public safety telecommunicators who were nearing their re-certification date.

The Office also collects, tabulates, analyzes and forwards to the U.S. Fire Administration, fire data as reported by 268 local fire departments which participate in the National Fire Incident Reporting System. During the 2001 calendar year, a total of 193,637 incidents were reported. Fire departments in Connecticut responded to 13,703 fires that caused \$124 million in property loss, injured 791 civilians and 550 firefighters. Thirty-three civilians and three firefighters lost their lives due to fire during the 12-month reporting period.

There were responses to 86,205 rescue calls, 35,176 false alarms and 58,553 other calls, such as mutual aid calls to other fire departments, lockouts, good intent calls, etc. The Office annually conducts a survey in compliance with the U.S. Fire Administration's federally mandated Hotel-Motel Fire Safety Act, tracking 361 hotels/motels in Connecticut. A total of 199 burn injury reports were received from various health care facilities in accordance with Connecticut's burn injury reporting statute.



## Office of State Building Inspector



**Christopher R. Laux, AIA**  
**State Building Inspector**

The Office of the State Building Inspector consists of 4 Bureaus: Technical Services; Permits and Inspections; Boilers; and Elevators, which together are responsible for the fulfillment of statutory mandates for adoption and administration of the State Building, Boiler and Elevator Codes. These codes were designed and enacted to ensure building safety, and related health and welfare interests throughout the state. The Office, which includes 4 Bureaus, a Deputy State Building Inspector, 3 supervisors, 23 technical and 5 clerical members, works in cooperation with the Codes and Standards Committee, and under the administrative direction of the State Building Inspector.

In addition, the Office of the State Building Inspector provides technical assistance to state agencies, municipal building officials, design and construction professionals, and property owners; issues interpretations and clarifications of code language; acts on requests for code modifications and handicap accessibility waivers; issues building permits and conducts inspections on state buildings that exceed the statutory threshold limits. Additional mandated responsibilities include training and licensing of municipal building officials and technical personnel and provision of plan reviews of single family dwellings to be built in multiple municipal jurisdictions. A review of actions of municipal building officials who have allegedly misinterpreted or misconstrued any provision of the State Building Code is also a mandated responsibility.

Some of these activities, such as telephone requests for technical assistance, site inspection, and informal contacts seeking assistance cannot be documented numerically although they could total several thousand each year.

The following is a summary of quantifiable activities performed by the Bureaus of Technical Services and Permits and Inspections during the calendar year 2002:

Formal interpretations of the State Building Code issued:	22
Requests for modifications and handicap waivers:	1,573
Construction inspections on threshold building projects with a total value of \$600 million:	3,168
Formal reviews of municipal building official actions:	12

## **Bureau of Boilers**

**Allan Platt**  
**Chief Boiler Inspector**

The Bureau of Boilers, which is part of the Office of the State Building Inspector, is responsible for the promulgation and enforcement of all laws and regulations pertaining to boilers and water heaters, as well as the inspection and issuance of operating certificates. The following is a summary of those activities during the calendar year 2002:

Number of boilers inspected:	15,049
Total number of re-inspections:	7
Total number of new installations:	2,432
Total fees collected:	\$318,145
Total number of accidents inspected:	3
Total number of registered boilers and water heaters:	39,460

## **Bureau of Elevators**



**Nancy DiMitruk**  
**Chief Elevator Inspector**

The Bureau of Elevators, which is part of the Office of the State Building Inspector, is responsible for the promulgation and enforcement of all laws and regulations pertaining to the installation and operation of all elevators, escalators, ski lifts, personnel hoists and tramways, performs inspections and issues operating certificates for every such unit, both when initially installed and annually thereafter. The following is a summary of those activities during the calendar year 2002:

Elevators inspected:	6,583
Tramways inspected:	39
Accidents investigated:	122
Complaints investigated:	49
New units* accepted:	403
Units taken out of service:	154
Fees collected:	\$556,615
Total units registered*:	14,269
Total units under review*:	209

\*Units consist of elevators, escalators and dumbwaiters

## Office of State Fire Marshal



**John Blaschik**  
**Deputy State Fire Marshal**

The Office of State Fire Marshal is responsible for the statutory requirements dealing with the protection of life and property for the public from the harmful effects of fire, explosion and mechanical failures.

The Office of State Fire Marshal, headed by Deputy State Fire Marshal, John Blaschik, Jr. consists of two Bureaus, dealing with fire prevention or safety statutes and regulations.

### **Bureau of Investigations and Enforcement**

This bureau includes the *East and West Fire Investigation Units*, which conduct fire, arson, and explosion investigations when requested by municipal officials. The investigations are normally for larger and more complicated fire and explosion incidents where specially trained personnel are required. There were 277 such requests during the past year, including the investigation of 17 fires resulting in 20 fatalities.

The *Licensing and Permit Unit* is responsible for the issuance of 40 various licenses and permits. In addition, the bureau inspects all circuses and carnivals, numbering 298 this year, and administers laws and regulations dealing with explosives and fireworks that included 280 permits. Investigations are also conducted for other division commands. More than 4,200 licenses and permits were issued over the past year generating \$ 560,000 of revenue.

### **Bureau of Engineering**

This bureau is responsible for promulgation and enforcement of all fire and special hazard laws and regulations, assisting local fire marshals, reviewing requests for code modifications, inspecting state buildings for code compliance and reviewing plans and construction of new or renovated state buildings.

This past year, the bureau conducted 396 existing state building inspections, processed 693 code modifications, completed 46 building / system plan reviews and provided local fire marshals with 138 technical assists. The bureau also conducted plan reviews and inspections for threshold state building projects for code compliance. They assisted in the delivery of the Fire Marshal / Inspector Certification program to prospective code enforcement officials and the on-going career development program to local code officials.

## **Office of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications**



**George J. Pohorilak**  
**Director**

This Office oversees the administration of the statewide Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications system, provides for the training and certification of public safety telecommunicators, provides frequency coordination for public safety agencies, provides for multi-state planning for 700 and 800Mhz radio frequency allocation and administers the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund.

New time synchronization equipment was purchased for the state's 108 public safety answering points (PSAPs). The time synchronization equipment will allow every PSAP to have accurate time for all PSAP equipment. Bid documents have been prepared for the acquisition of Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping technology for all PSAPs. This mapping technology will allow for the mapping of cellular phone calls to 9-1-1. The implementation of Phase I of the FCC requirements for cellular 9-1-1 calls was completed. All cellular 9-1-1 calls now provide for a call back number and cell sector location. Implementation of Phase II of the FCC Requirements (x and y coordinate information) for cellular 9-1-1 calls began in 2002.

Under the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications fund the Office provided \$1,863,894 to eight regional communications centers, \$832,488 to the eight cities with populations greater than 70,000, \$5,260,870 for 9-1-1 network cost, \$501,868 for coordinated medical direction subsidies to every municipality, \$773,344 for the Office of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications, \$847,510 (projected only) for new regional centers and transition grants, \$250,000 to the Department of Public Health for EMS data collection, and \$2,786,102 for new PSAP equipment/software.

Twenty-one PSAPs have been approved to by the Office to provide emergency medical dispatch. The Office reimbursed fourteen of those PSAPs for EMD training for a total of \$41,051. EMS data was collected from 58 PSAPs during the calendar year 2002. Training and certification for public safety telecommunicators was conducted by the Office of Education and Data Management.

The Office chairs and staffs the FCC region 19 committees for 700Mhz and 800Mhz. Those committees develop allocation plans for spectrum allocation and distribute spectrum to public safety agencies for all the New England states. Two application windows were provided for under the Region 19 800Mhz plan and four meetings of the 700Mhz plan development committee were conducted.

## **Division of Scientific Services**



**Major Timothy M. Palmbach,  
Commanding Officer, Forensic Science Laboratory**



**The Division of Scientific Services Headquarters is located at the State Forensic Laboratory at  
294 Colony Street in Meriden.**

In 1999, the Division of Scientific Services was established to unite Department of Public Safety science laboratories. As a result, local, state and federal criminal justice agencies can obtain all forensic testing through the services offered by a world-renowned scientific facility. The division is made up of the Forensic Science Laboratory, Controlled Substances and Toxicology Laboratory and the Computer Crimes and Electronic Evidence Unit.



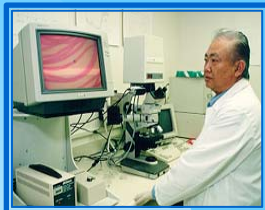
The Division of Scientific Services provides services in the following areas: examines physical evidence submitted by criminal case investigators; assists state and local law enforcement agencies with criminal investigations and crime scene processing; provides forensic and technical training and education for law enforcement agencies and the community; and conducts scientific and technical research.



**Dr. Henry C. Lee, Chief Emeritus  
Division of Scientific Services**

In 2000, Dr. Lee retired as the Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety and was asked by Governor Rowland to accept the position of Chief Emeritus of the Forensic Science Laboratory. He consults on cold case reviews and assists on cases when requested by local authorities.

## Division of Scientific Services





**Sgt. David Rice  
Executive Officer  
Division of Scientific Services**

The Division of Scientific Services and its dedicated professional staff continue their efforts to undertake many major initiatives. Scientists have utilized their expertise and state-of-the-art equipment in analyzing materials associated with the department's investigation into incidents involving or the alleged involvement of biological or chemical weapons of mass destruction. The Forensic Laboratory, accredited by the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors since 2001, demonstrates leadership and expertise by its involvement in conducting inspections of other laboratories. The Computer Crimes and Electronic Evidence Unit excels as a nationally recognized resource and training facility that has realized a 500% increase in requests for service. The scope of the Controlled Substances and Toxicology Laboratory has expanded to include a trained clandestine laboratory response team and newly developed procedures to address the current trend in use of illicit substances such as "Ecstasy" and date rape drugs. In the coming years, consolidation of laboratory services and support functions will continue to improve efficiency and provide a one-step scientific service center for all law enforcement personnel.

**Forensic Science Laboratory**



**Elaine M. Pagliaro, Assistant Director**

In 1935, State Police Commissioner Anthony Sunderland established a Bureau of Identification within the Department of State Police. Fingerprint and mug shot files were created for major cases. In 1941 the State Legislature enacted a bill and officially recognized the State Bureau of Identification as an established part of the state agency. At this stage, forensic services in Connecticut were limited to fingerprints and photography-related procedures only.

In 1975, the Crime Laboratory was made an independent unit. At that time, the laboratory consisted of the following units: fingerprints, firearms/tool marks, polygraph, voiceprints, documents, serology, trace, and photography.

In 1979, the Crime Laboratory was renamed the Connecticut State Forensic Science Laboratory, and Dr. Henry C. Lee was appointed as its Chief Criminalist. State-of-the-art techniques and new forensic procedures were implemented. To accommodate this expansion, the laboratory was divided into two units: Criminalistics containing serology, instrumentation, trace, and arson; and Identification containing fingerprints, firearms and tool marks, polygraph, voiceprints, documents, and photography.

In 1982, the Connecticut General Assembly enacted a state statute and the State Forensic Science Laboratory was charged with four areas of service. To achieve these goals and to serve the increasing demands of law enforcement throughout the state, additional laboratory sections were added. The laboratory is presently staffed with 37 administrative and scientific personnel assigned to the following areas: fingerprints, documents, imprints, firearms and tool marks, photography, chemistry, arson, instrumentation, trace, biochemistry, DNA, image analysis, and reconstruction. New initiatives include examining and analyzing critical evidence relative to bio-terrorism acts. As time and resources permit the Cold Case Review initiative has developed new investigative leads in many previously unsolved cases. Examination of old cases, using new technology and data bases, have identified individuals responsible for criminal acts as well as eliminating people previously convicted or under suspicion of a crime.



**Kenneth B. Zercie**  
**Assistant Director**

The Forensic Science Laboratory conducted approximately 500,000 examinations on physical evidence from more than 8,000 criminal cases and special investigations during the last year. Those services were provided to 147 local police departments, 179 fire departments, 12 state police troops, 12 Public Defender's Offices, 14 State's Attorney Offices, and 25 other state agencies. Forensic laboratory personnel are an integral part of the team called in to investigate police-related shootings. In addition, the laboratory continues to assist numerous other federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies in their case investigations.



**Deborah Messina**  
**Supervising Criminalist**

The laboratory has implemented or extended several computer-assisted analysis programs during the past year, including a local & national DNA sex offender database (CODIS), the Automated Fingerprints Identification System (AFIS) and a bullet/ cartridge case database system (NIBIN). The ability to search these databases against evidence examined at the Laboratory has resulted in solving numerous cases that were previously unsolvable. This year those cases have included two 20-year old, unsolved homicides and several serial rape cases. To date, more than 350 cases have been linked by the firearms evidence database. Expansion of laboratory services also included the Questioned Document Section. Protocols have been implemented to determine both the quality and integrity of instant lottery tickets for the Department of Special Revenue.

Laboratory staff has been active in community activities, through extensive training programs and forensic research. To facilitate communication and exchange of information and technology, a regular program of meetings was reestablished with the department major crime squads. Additional training was provided to area detective associations, fire marshals, public defenders, local middle and high schools, universities, and other state agencies. The laboratory has also hosted several sessions for statewide members of the Citizen's Police Academy. As part of the continued commitment to professional excellence, Laboratory personnel presented several research papers and case studies at both national and international meetings during the past year.



**Robert O'Brien, Supervisor  
Criminalistics Section**

Recent federal grants and private contributions have enabled the laboratory to conduct advanced examinations utilizing the newest technologies, particularly in the areas computer-assisted technologies for DNA, firearms, and latent prints. Several new techniques are also in development, including the implementation of space-age technologies from work with NASA and the use of teleforensics.



**Dr. Joel Milzoff,  
Laboratory Section Manager**

The laboratory developed a comprehensive cold case evidence database information system. These records include data on a variety of serious crimes dating back to 1969. The information that is contained in these records is manually being entered into a database, which correlates unsolved homicides. This gives a starting position for investigators for the necessary evidence needed for trial and prosecution. This database is available to local, state and federal law enforcement officers to assist them in cold case investigations. There is currently another ten or twelve years of evidence backlog to enter. This program is vital and critical for investigators and needs clerical support for data entry.

## **Controlled Substances/Toxicology Laboratory**



**Captain Paul Krisavage  
Commanding Officer**

The Commanding Officer of the Controlled Substances and Toxicology Laboratory is responsible for the day-to-day administrative functions of the laboratory. He shall work with the Director and Chief Toxicologist and Quality Manager to provide a working environment, which meets the standards, established by the Quality Manual. The Commanding Officer oversees all aspects of the receipt, storage, security and release of evidence. He is responsible for training the Evidence Control staff; conducting internal audits to insure the integrity of the laboratory. He also serves as the liaison with State, Local and Federal Law enforcement agencies for evidence related matters. Works with the courts and Division of State Police Units to ensure the accurate and timely compliance with disposition orders. He is responsible for the destruction of evidence as ordered by the courts. Serves as the Section Liaison to the Bio-Terrorism Focus Group, with the Department of Public Health. He works with Laboratory Director to identify equipment needs and funding sources. In 2002 Captain Krisavage was responsible for securing approximately \$600,000 in equipment grants. The equipment purchased allowed the Laboratory to automate several functions.



**Dr. Richard D. Pinder  
Director and Chief Toxicologist  
Controlled Substances & Toxicology Laboratory**

The Controlled Substances / Toxicology Laboratory assists in the investigation and prosecution of drug evidence cases, drug-facilitated sexual assaults and driving while impaired by alcohol or drugs. The laboratory maintains the ability to detect trace amounts of classic controlled substances (e.g.: heroin, LSD, cocaine, marijuana and amphetamine) as well as many new "designer" drugs (e.g.: MDMA ("ecstasy"), GHB, rohypnol, PCP and anabolic steroids.) Although our drug caseload is substantial, recent policy changes regarding acceptance and storage of drug evidence has allowed us to improve operational efficiency. The knowledge base within the laboratory makes it an essential resource for the state's judicial process in the areas of drug possession and sale and driving under the influence of drugs. In addition to drug testing, the analytical capabilities of the laboratory position it for service in the event of a chemical terrorist incident.

## Computer Crimes & Electronic Evidence Unit



**Sgt. Joseph Sudol**  
**Commanding Officer**

The Computer Crimes and Electronic Evidence Unit combines state and local police officers, professional forensic examiners and an attorney. The Unit conducts investigations, assists other law enforcement agencies provides training and performs forensic analysis of electronic evidence. During the year, this Unit experienced a 38% increase in the number of cases handled, 656 compared to 476 the previous year. Fully 44% of the cases involved child pornography – either a task force investigation, assistance to another agency or examination of evidence.

During the past year, requests for services by type of crime are as follows:

Child Pornography	44%
Larceny/Fraud	14%
Threatening/Harassment/assault	9%
Enticing a minor via the Internet	4%
Sexual Assault	4%
All other	17%

As a recipient of Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force funding from the United States Department of Justice, the Unit has become a national leader in the fight against online child sexual exploitation. Half of the caseload involved child victims. So far, over 500 state and local police officers, teachers and victim advocates have been trained and certified to teach the “Play It Safe Online” program which has been taught to over 15,000 Connecticut youths.



## Connecticut State Police Academy Alumni Association

*"Looking to the future, but never forgetting the past!"*



The Connecticut State Police Academy Alumni Association is an association that was created in the early 1970's by a handful of state troopers. Today the CSPAAA boasts almost 2,000 members, both active and retired state troopers and civilian employees of the department.

The goals of the CSPAAA are to promote the DPS/DSP through our fraternal events. These events include our monthly meetings, our two annual dinner socials, our college scholarship programs and many other activities. To date our college scholarship awards have exceeded over \$150,000.00. These awards are presented to the sons, daughters and grandchildren of our members. In addition, the CSPAAA presents the Honor Graduate of each state police training troop, with an award to recognize their efforts.

Membership to the CSPAAA is open to all sworn members of the Connecticut State Police. Civilian employees, and auxiliary troopers, may also apply to become members of the association after completing five years of service. Dues are currently \$15.00 per year.

This year the association is hosting the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ball of the Connecticut State Police Department, the nation's first state police department. The Anniversary Ball weekend will take place at Foxwood's Resort and Casino in May 2003. This historic anniversary will honor the dedication of the men and women who have protected Connecticut for the past 100 years. The traditions and accomplishments of our department are many.

The CSPAAA has set an ambitious goal for itself of planning for the building of a museum to celebrate the upcoming 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Connecticut State Police in the year 2003. If you would like to make a donation towards this project, we would appreciate your support. Donations can be mailed to my attention, c/o - CSPAAA Store, Building #2, at the Meriden Complex, Meriden, Connecticut 06450.

We encourage all employees, both sworn and civilian, to join our association. We are confident that we can become an even better association with your participation.

Alumni Store – (203) 238-6018  
Lt. Geoff Ice (Ret.)  
Lt. James Rodgers (Ret.)  
Store Managers

Sincerely,

Major Peter F. Warren  
President, CSPAAA



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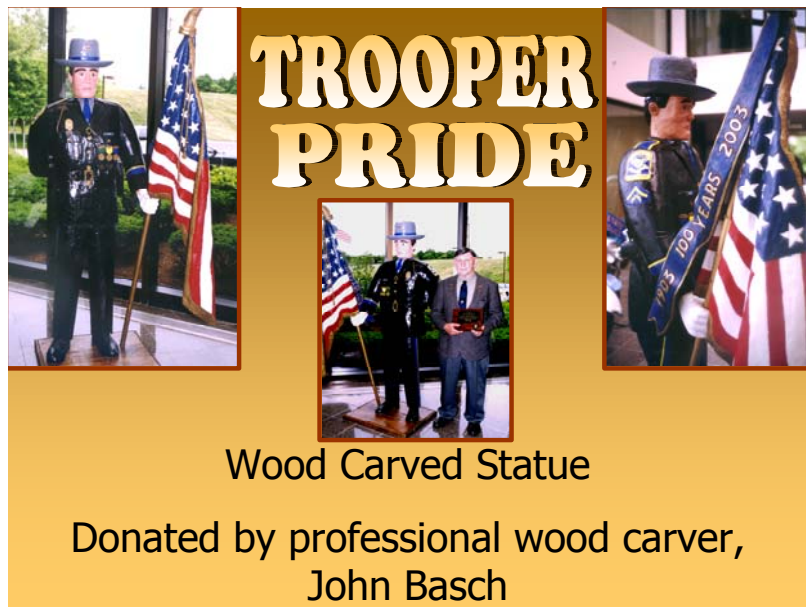
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